

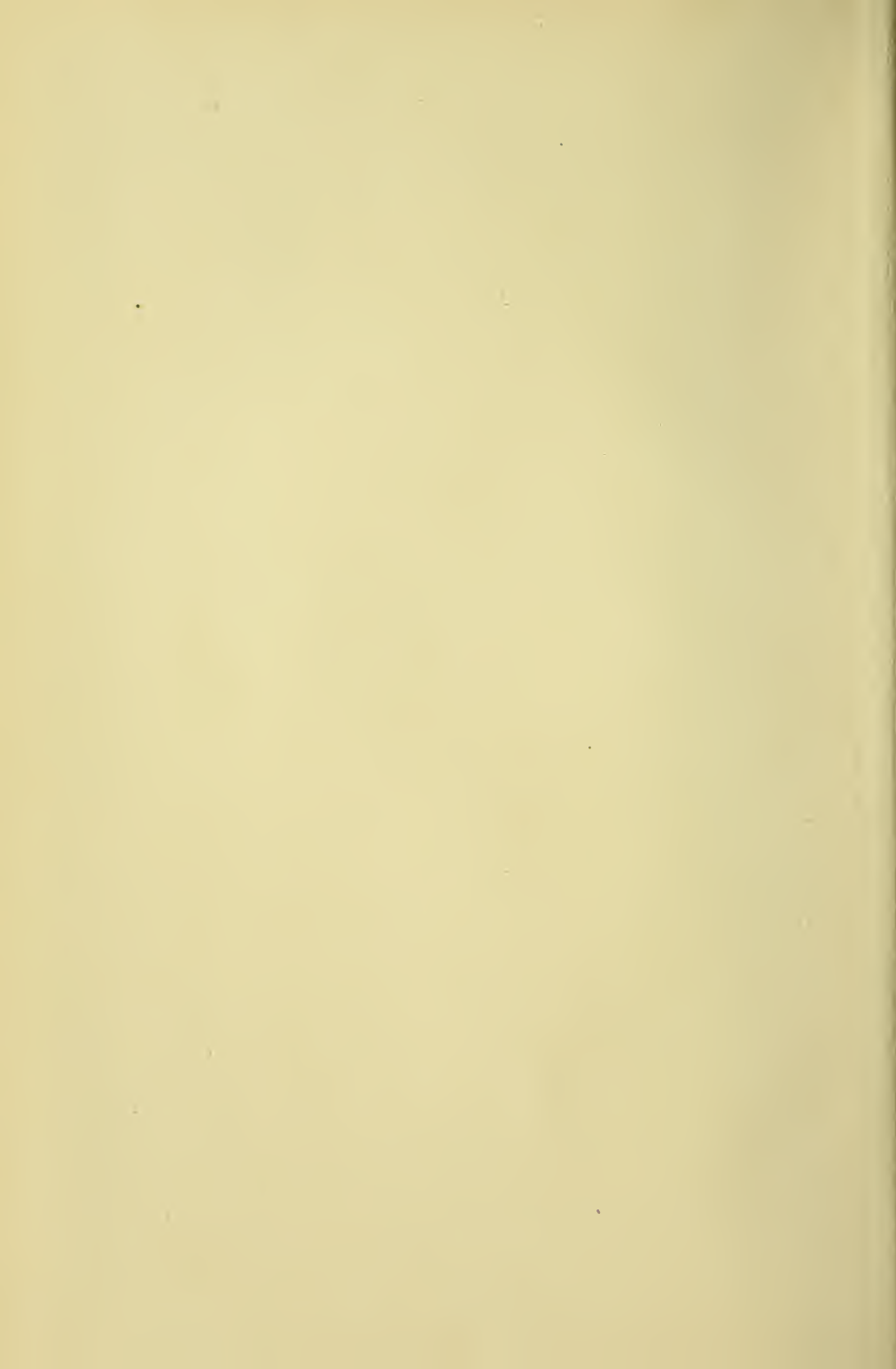
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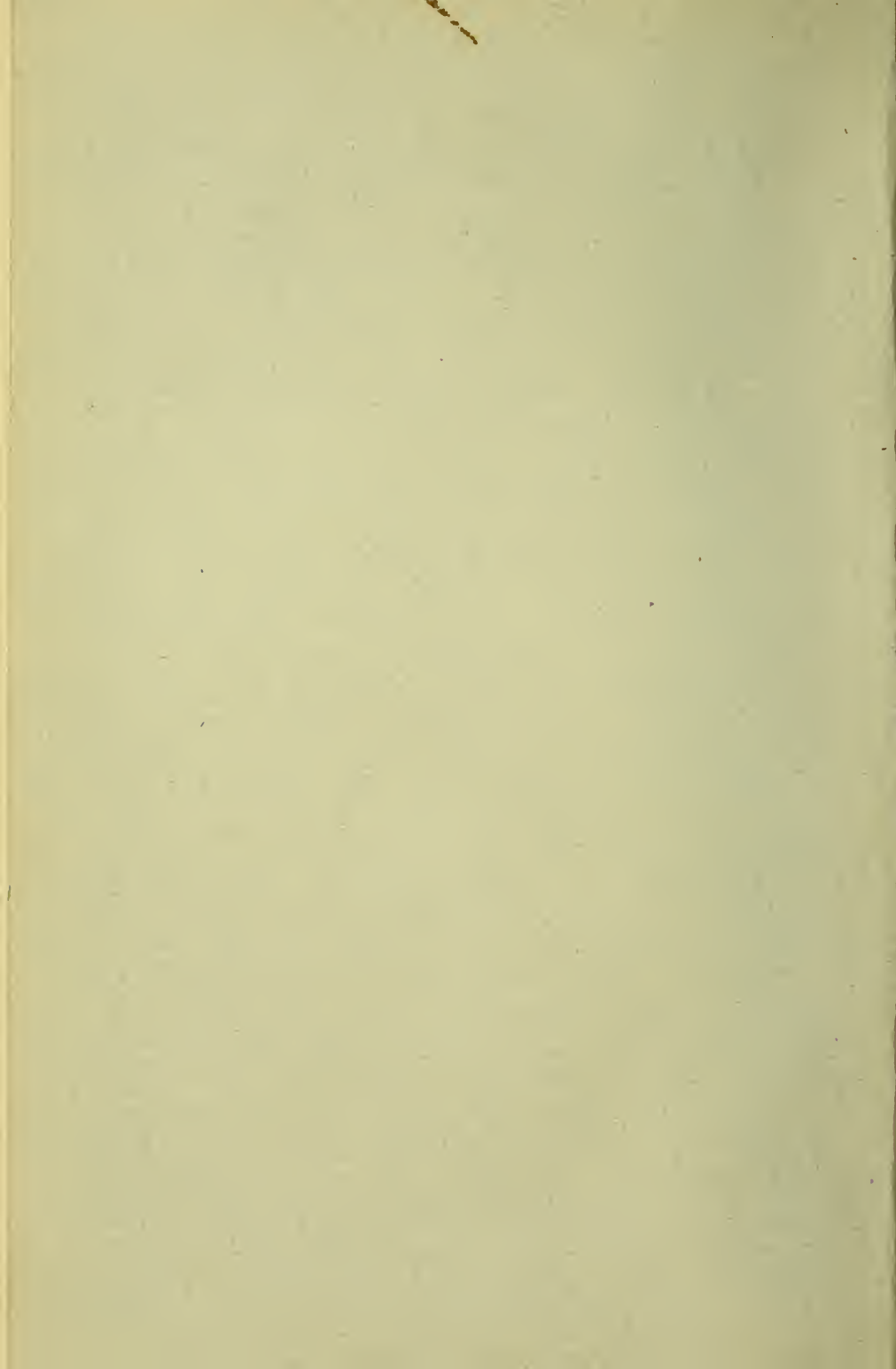
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TOWN COUNCIL.

1899-1900.

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EDWARD BURGESS AND SONS, LIMITED, ST. STEPHEN'S STREET.



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CITY OF NORWICH.

THE REPORT OF THE FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

TO THE TOWN COUNCIL,

From April 1st, 1899, to March 31st, 1900.

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W. H. HALL, READING-ROOM ATTENDANT.

M. KELTY, SUNDAY ATTENDANT.

*The Quarterly Meetings of the Committee will be held at the Library,
at 4 p.m. on the following days:—*

April 11th, July 11th, and October 10th, 1900; and January 9th, 1901.

The Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.

EDWARD BURGESS AND SONS, LIMITED, PRINTERS, ST. STEPHEN'S STREET, NORWICH.

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NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

Area of the City—7,587 Acres.
 Estimated Population of the City, June, 1899—113,266.
 Rateable Value of the City, 1899—£357,171.
 Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1899—£1,320.
 Libraries Act Adopted—1850.
 Library Opened—March, 1857.
 Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1877.
 Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.
 Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—
 Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.
 Reading-Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.
 Books Issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.
 Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.
 Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.
 Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.
 " " December, 1899, 32,564 Books, 7,543 Pamphlets.
 " " per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4·35.
 " " " " December, 1899, 28·75.
 Issues for Home Reading—December, 1877, 1,100.
 " " December, 1899, 8,585.
 " " Total since 1877, 1,592,941.



REPORT, 1899-1900.

YOUR Committee, in presenting the Annual Report of the working of the Free Library, have the gratification to record continued progress.

The numbers of Readers and Borrowers have increased, but the returns show a slight falling off of issues in the Lending Department, viz., 110,096 to 107,293. This is due to the fact that in 1898-9 the issues were continued throughout the year. This year your Committee reverted to the custom of closing during the month of August for stocktaking and cleaning. The average daily issues have been 457 against 427 in 1898-9.

The number of persons holding tickets entitling them to the right of borrowing is 5,711. During the eleven months the borrowers have made 107,293 applications for books, showing that each person has been supplied on the average 19 times during that period. Many persons seem to make only occasional use of their tickets, the number actually in use on the 31st March last being 3,083. If this were taken as the number of ticket-holders the average issues to each would be 35.

Regarding the literature in demand by readers—History and Travel, Biography and Correspondence, Law and Theology, with Poetry and the Drama, show increase; Fiction, Magazines and Miscellaneous, and the other sections slight decrease.

To the Lending Department 440 books have been added, 566 have been purchased to replace those worn out, and 5,154 have been repaired at the Library or by binders. The present stock is 18,738 vols.

The Reference Department has received an accession of 1,168 vols., and now, including the Local Collection, numbers 14,612 vols. and 7,655 Pamphlets. The number of vols. consulted in the Reference Department has been 11,968. During the year three new oak cases of 28 shelves each have been placed in this department.

We have the pleasure to record the receipt of the following valuable donations, from—

R. J. Colman, Esq.—511 vols., comprising Cobbett's Parliamentary History, continued by Hansard, dating from 1066 to 1803; Hansard's Parliamentary Debates, continued from 1803 to 1890; and the authorised edition of the Debates down to 1897, the whole handsomely bound in calf. The Committee purpose purchasing the Debates to date and continuing them as published.

Sir H. Bullard—Journal of the Royal Agricultural Society of England (25 parts).

Mr. T. Southwell—Complete set of 14 vols. of Natural Science, a Review of Scientific Progress.

Captain Heaviside—Works on the Trigonometrical Survey of India, Geodesy, &c.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury—25 Memoirs of the Geology of East Anglian Localities.

The Patent Office—Abridgments of Specifications, nearly completed to 1896.

The Trustees of the British Museum—Parts of the Catalogue of printed books, began in 1882 and now nearly completed, and other works.

The Smithsonian Institution, U.S.—Copies of their useful and interesting publications.

Other donations are acknowledged on page 19.

Five sections of the Reference Catalogue have been printed, and the other three sections will shortly follow.

By a revision of the Rules any person above the age of 13 may now use all departments of the Library; and it is worthy of note that the increasing use of the Reference Room is largely due to Students, Teachers, and others seeking special information.

The Norwich School Board, having recently decided to establish and work a Juvenile Library for the circulation of books amongst the Elementary Schools, your Committee have decided to hand over for their use all the books belonging to the Juvenile Department.

Discarded books have been sent to the City Asylum, Isolation Hospital, and Workhouse; also illustrated papers and old magazines to the Girls' Home.

The Committee-Room has been used by the National Home Reading Union for meetings of Committee and a French Circle; also by a Class studying Dante's works.

Books were again sent from Cambridge and placed in the Reference Department for the use of Students attending the University Extension Lectures.

Thirty-four Early Law Books belonging to the Old City Library, and catalogued as lent to the Law Library, have been returned and placed with the other City Books in charge of the Librarian.

The Sunday Attendance at the Reading-Rooms has exceeded the average of former years. The usual test shows the following result:—1897, 129 persons; 1898, 297; 1899, 327.

The smooth working of the establishment throughout the year reflects credit on the public and the officials.

THOMAS S. BREESE,

CHAIRMAN.



On pages 9 to 19 are particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues of books for 1899-1900, and from 1878, selections of books, &c., and the donors—but the following statistics show more readily the working of the Library in 1899-1900:—

LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 18738 volumes; being in—

Art, Science, and Political Economy	...	1981	increase	22
Biography and Correspondence	...	1604	„	34
Poetry and Drama	...	722	„	8
Fiction	...	6411	„	221
History and Travel	...	2380	„	44
Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous		4554	„	75
Law and Theology	...	722	„	32
Natural History	...	354	„	4
Totals	...	18738	„	440
„ last year	...	18298	„	619
Days opened	...	235	last year	258

Borrowers—

Tickets issued to (new, 1295; duplicates, 633)	...	1928	„	1609
Holding tickets, March 31st	...	5711	„	4620
Using tickets, March 31st	...	3083		...

Issues, 107293 (110277 volumes); being in—

Art, Science, and Political Economy	...	2931	decrease	355
Biography and Correspondence	...	1466	increase	7
Poetry and Drama	...	848	„	61
Fiction	...	90345	decrease	2292
History and Travel	...	3113	increase	167
Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous		7250	decrease	475
Law and Theology	...	777	increase	111
Natural History	...	563	decrease	27
Totals (11 months)...		107293	„	2803
„ last year (12 months)		110096	increase	36513
Average daily issues	...	457	last year	427
„ issues to each borrower	...	19	„	24
„ „ using tickets, March 31st		35		...

Issues in 1878, 26308—averaging 99 daily.

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

Fines for overdue books	...	...	£69/4/3	last year	£69/9/4
Catalogues	...	...	£6/6/8	"	£7/10/11
Books replaced	...	...	566	last year	419
Books repaired at Library and by Binders	...	5154	"		4790

PRESENT STOCK—

Books—

Lending Department	18738	increase	440
Reference Department	10802	"	953
Ditto (Local Collection)	3810	"	215
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Totals	33350	"	1608
„ last year	31742	"	1226

Pamphlets—

Reference Department	2606	"	139
Ditto (Local Collection)	5049	"	191
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Totals	7655	"	330
„ last year	7325	"	458

Stock in December, 1877, about 3500 books.

PERCENTAGES--

Lending Stock (18738 volumes)...	...	16.54 per cent. of Population.
Issues (107293)	...	94.73 „ „
Borrowers (5711)	...	5.04 „ „
Total Stock (33350)	...	29.44 „ „

The Lending and Reference Departments are open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Sundays, Thursdays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Bank Holidays; and the Reading-Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Sundays (when it is from 3 to 9 p.m.), Christmas Day, and Good Friday.

Occupations of Borrowers.

Accountants and Cashiers	...	6
Agents	...	4
Apprentices	...	16
Architects and Surveyors	...	4
Artists	...	3
Assistants...	...	37
Bakers	...	2
Binders	...	4
Blacksmiths and Farrier	..	3
Book Folders	...	4
Boot and Shoe Makers	...	28
Box Cutter and Maker	...	2
Brewers	...	2
Bricklayers	...	2
Brushmakers	...	4
Butchers	...	3
Carpenters and Joiners	...	10
Carriage Builders	...	3
Chemists	...	4
Cigar Makers	...	3
Clergymen and Ministers	...	9
Clerks	...	128
Clickers	...	9
Confectioners	...	2
Corset Makers	...	2
Cutters	...	7
Dairy Boy and Maid	..	2
Domestic Servants...	...	16
Drapers	...	15
Draughtsmen	...	2
Dressmakers	...	32
Electricians	...	5
Engine Drivers	...	2
Engineers	...	18
Engravers...	...	4
Errand and Office Boys	...	16
Factory Hands	...	2

Carried forward ... 415

Brought forward	...	415
Finishers	...	4
Fitters	...	14
Florist and Nurseryman	...	2
Foremen and Forewoman	...	4
Gardeners	...	2
Grocers	...	11
Hairdressers	...	4
Hatter and Hosiers...	...	3
Housekeepers	...	11
Housewives	...	37
Independent	...	10
Instrument Makers...	...	3
Ironfounders	...	2
Ironmongers	...	3
Jeweller and Watchmakers	...	4
Labourers...	...	7
Machinists	...	24
Managers and Manageresses...	...	7
Mantle Makers	...	2
Manufacturers	...	2
Matron and Superintendent...	...	2
Merchants	...	4
Messengers	...	4
Milliners	...	5
Musicians...	...	4
Nurses	...	6
Organ Builders	...	6
Outfitters	...	3
Packers	...	4
Painters and Plumbers	...	11
Pattern Makers	...	2
Photographers	...	3
Porters	...	3
Postmen	...	4
Pressmen	...	2
Printers	...	22

Carried forward ... 656

Brought forward	...	656	Brought forward	...	882
Reader and Reporters	...	3	Tin Plate Workers	...	2
Relief Stampers	...	3	Tobacconists	...	2
Salesmen...	...	5	Travellers	...	11
Scholars and Students	...	105	Turners	...	2
Shopkeepers	...	5	Upholsterers and Upholsteresses	...	7
Stable Boy and Man	...	2	Veterinary Surgeons	...	2
Stonemasons	..	2	Waiters and Waitress	...	3
Storekeepers and Timekeeper	3		Warehousemen	...	4
Tailors and Tailoresses	...	22	Weavers	...	3
Teachers	...	74	Miscellaneous	...	50
Telegraphists	...	2	Not stated	...	327
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Carried forward	...	882	Total	...	1295

Ages of Borrowers.

			Borrowers from Dec. 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.		New Borrowers in 1899-1900.		Borrowers since May 31, 1897.	
Above 13	and under 20	...	8884	...	...	555	...	2074
" 20	" 25	...	2537	...	...	192	...	933
" 25	" 30	...	1736	...	...	137	...	685
" 30	" 35	...	1223	...	...	87	...	495
" 35	" 40	...	902	...	...	66	...	340
" 40	" 45	...	635	...	...	48	...	287
" 45	" 50	...	423	29	...	177
" 50	" 55	...	353	30	...	148
" 55	" 60	...	195	10	...	86
" 60	437	39	...	228
Not stated	1250	102	...	731
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Totals	18575	1295	...	6184

Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.

Years.	Tickets Issued.	New Borrowers.				Borrowers since May 31, 1897.
1897-8 ...	3546 ...	3529	(1788 females,	1741	males)	... 3529
1898-9 ...	1609 ...	1360	(645 ,,	715	,,)	... 4889
1899-1900	1928 ...	1295	(603 ,,	692	,,)	... 6184
Totals	7083 ...	6184	(3036 ,,	3148	,,)	

The Borrowers to May 31, 1897, from December 1, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males—to whom had been issued 59394 cards.

Wards wherein Borrowers Resided.

	Population in 1891.	New Borrowers in 1899-1900.	Borrowers since May 31, 1897.
1. Conisford ...	6091	99	440
2. Ber Street ...	8426	55	255
3. Mancroft ...	4573	71	332
4. Westwick ...	6852	105	527
5. Coslany ...	6691	49	262
6. Fye Bridge...	7775	52	262
7. Thorpe ...	5420	60	335
8. Lakenham...	5450	55	260
9. Town Close	5970	65	341
10. Eaton ...	6971	199	848
11. Nelson ..	6216	93	547
12. Earham ...	5712	107	549
13. Heigham ...	5963	44	240
14. Wensum ...	6224	66	258
15. Catton ...	7016	88	374
16. Mousehold ..	5620	87	354
Totals	100970	1295	6184

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1074; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.

Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1899-1900.

Months, 1899-1900.	Days open.	Art, Science, and Political Economy.	Biography and Correspondence.	Poetry and Drama.	Fiction.	History and Travel.	Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous.	Law and Theology.	Natural History.	Monthly Issues.	Average Daily Issues.
April ...	20	303	152	86	8762	264	750	59	52	10428	521
May ...	22	253	152	80	8366	290	744	70	45	10000	455
June ...	21	203	125	53	7519	220	610	62	53	8845	421
July ...	22	219	134	47	7412	229	602	69	54	8766	389
August ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
September	22	250	116	75	7857	254	599	55	51	9257	421
October ...	22	287	129	74	7985	285	654	74	48	9536	434
November	21	297	147	87	8065	316	624	86	40	9662	460
December	...	254	105	74	7183	274	596	54	45	8585	429
January...	23	272	133	75	9090	315	672	76	56	10689	465
February	20	257	136	87	8480	307	656	86	43	10052	503
March ...	22	336	137	110	9626	359	743	86	76	11473	522
Totals	235	2931	1466	848	90345	3113	7250	777	563	107293	457
Percentages '99-0	...	2.73	1.37	0.79	84.20	2.90	6.76	0.72	0.53	...	...
Percentages '98-9	...	2.98	1.33	0.71	84.14	2.68	7.02	0.60	0.54	..	...

Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1899-1900.

Years.	Days open.	Art, Science, and Political Economy.	Biography and Correspondence.	Poetry and Drama.	Fiction.	History and Travel.	Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneus.	Law and Theology.	Natural History.	Total Issues.	Average Daily Issues.
1878 to 1882 ..	1275	4790	7007	2406	97717	11998	24400	1675	2279	152272	119
1883 to *1887-8 ..	1265	8661	7589	3065	248945	15603	56679	1381	3069	344992	273
1888-9 to 1892-3..	1170	13047	7391	4202	340080	17252	56596	2282	4455	445305	381
1893-4 ...	232	2304	1298	726	68678	3261	8918	465	705	86355	372
1894-5 ...	235	2555	1099	640	75413	2676	9207	577	563	92730	395
1895-6 ...	236	2354	1365	649	73650	3387	8041	468	526	90440	382
1896-7 ...	233	2190	1002	588	75555	2882	6655	487	516	89875	386
1897-8 (to May 31)	46	423	260	116	15320	662	1408	121	134	18444	401
To May 31, 1897	4692	36324	27011	12392	995358	57721	171904	7456	12247	1320413	281
1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13)	137	1719	796	403	46125	1528	3939	343	286	55139	402
1898-9 ...	258	3286	1459	787	92637	2946	7725	666	590	110096	427
1899-1900 ...	235	2931	1466	848	90345	3113	7250	777	563	107293	457
Totals ...	5322	44260	30732	14430	1224465	65308	190818	9242	13686	1592941	299
Percentages ...	...	2.78	1.93	0.90	76.87	4.10	11.98	0.58	0.86	...	...

* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26 instead of January 1; and in 1899 it closed March 31 instead of March 25. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13, 1897. See note on page 14

Monthly Issues of Books from 1878 to 1899-1900.

Years.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
1878 to *1882 ..	13154	13986	15145	14828	14455	13359	14392	6327	6774	11713	13995	14144	152272
1883 to 1887-8 ..	35193	35006	38062	27961	28962	26390	26622	8981	27101	31064	30725	28725	344992
1888-9 to 1892-3 ..	39522	39113	36408	37968	...	38899	41689	41867	39571	45067	42453	42748	445305
1893-4 ..	7845	6706	6657	7353	...	7572	8182	8027	7997	9383	8316	8317	86355
1894-5 ..	8453	8060	8235	7636	...	7614	8307	8306	8109	9218	8687	10105	92730
1895-6 ..	8494	8117	7526	7563	...	7234	7881	8648	7968	9007	8865	9137	90440
1896-7 ..	8214	8494	7648	7541	...	7706	8174	8113	7527	8943	8297	9218	89875
1897-8 (to May 31) ..	10215	8229	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18444
To May 31, 1897..	125532	122136	106423	109075	15308	102900	117010	119681	114041	129965	125610	132732	1320413
1897-8 (fr. Sept. 15)	...	...	...	...	...	4031	8186	8515	7905	9530	9089	7883	55139
1898-9 ..	9412	8734	8231	8419	8033	8606	9380	8929	8646	10008	9607	12091	110096
1899-1900 ..	10428	10000	8845	8766	...	9257	9356	9662	8585	10689	10052	11473	107293
Totals ..	145372	140870	123499	126260	23341	124794	144112	146787	139177	160192	154358	164179	1592941
Percentages ..	9.13	8.84	7.75	7.93	1.46	7.83	9.05	9.21	8.74	10.06	9.69	10.31	...

* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven, weeks extra. See note on page 13.

*A Selection from the Additions to the Library during
1899-1900.*

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Anderson's Searching the Scriptures. Bazin's Italians of To-day. Becke and Jeffery's Naval Pioneers of Australia. Becby's Creed and Life. Bismarck's Table-Talk. Bloch's Modern Weapons and Modern War. Bodley's France. Borrow's Life, Writings, and Correspondence, by W. I. Knapp. Bottone's Electrical Instrument Making. Browning and Barrett's Letters. Buckley's Life and Her Children. Bullen's Cruise of the "Cachalot"; and Idylls of the Sea. Callow's Origin and Development of the Creeds. Creighton's Queen Elizabeth. Davidson's Annals of Toil. Dearden's Modern Romanism Examined. Dicksee's Bookkeeping. Drummond's New Evangelism, &c. Essays on Liberalism, by Six Oxford Men. Fitchett's How England Saved Europe. Fitzgerald's Lives of the Sheridans. Fitzpatrick's Transvaal from Within. Fletcher's History of Architecture. Fremantle's World as the Subject of Redemption. Gilman's Dividend to Labour. Glass's Barbone Parliament. Grace's Cricketing Reminiscences and Personal Recollections. Graham's Revival of English Agriculture. Greg's Literary and Social Judgments. Gwynn's Tennyson, a Critical Study. Haggard's Farmer's Year. Halse's Salad of Stray Leaves. Hole's Our Gardens. Horton's Commandments of Jesus. Howell's Memoir of Hinds Howell. Hutton's Aspects of Religious and Scientific Thought. Landon's In the Forbidden Land. Lecky's Map of Life. Lewes's Sea-Side Studies. Little's Sketches and Studies in South Africa. Macpherson's Twelve Sonships in Jesus Christ. Marvell's Poetical Works. Maurice's Doctrine of Sacrifice. Medley's Pamphlets and Addresses. Milne's Sir George Grey, the Romance of a Pro-Consul. Morrison's Imperial Rule in India. Morris's Moltke, a Biographical and Critical Study. Murray's Side-Lights on English Society, Social and Satirical Sketches. Normandy: History, Antiquities, and Topography. Oliphant's William Blackwood and His Sons. Payn's Backwater of Life. Pike's Oliver Cromwell and His Times. Reid's Origin of the British Flora. Right to Bear Arms. Root's Spain and Its Colonies. Rosebery's Appreciations and Addresses. Rowntree and Sherwell's Temperance Problem and Social Reform. Ruskin's Principles of Art. Russell's Sailor's Language. Scott's Catacombs at Rome. Selous's Sunshine and Storm in Rhodesia. Shaxby's Eight-Hours Day. Sherard's Zola, a Biographical and Critical Study. Steevens's From Capetown to Ladysmith; and the Tragedy of Dreyfus. Story's Life of John Linnell. Tangye's In New South Africa. Tegetmeier's House Sparrow. Toole's Reminiscences.

Trevelyan's American Revolution. Wagner's Names and Their Meaning. Welsh's Relief of Doubt. Wilmot's Our Navy for a Thousand Years.

The following series of works have been added to:—Contemporary Science, Popular County Histories, Preachers of the Age, Social Science, and Story of the Nations. The principal Magazines to date, and works of Fiction by Fowler, Hocking, Hopkins, Jókai, Mallock, Roberts, Sienkiewicz. Walford, Westall, Whiteing, &c., have also been added.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Beeton's Dictionary of Universal Information. Blades's Pentateuch of Printing. Boyle's Universal Chronologist. Bradford's History of Plymouth Plantation, from the Original MS. Britten's Old Clocks and Watches and Their Makers. Burke's Landed Gentry of Great Britain and Ireland. Clerke's Popular History of Astronomy during the 19th Century. Cobbe's (Frances P.) Life. Cotton's Typographical Gazetteer. Davies's Armorial Families. Eastlake's Notes on Pictures in Galleries at Venice and Milan. Evelyn's Silva, Kalendarium Hortense, &c. Farrar's History of Interpretation. Furnival's Researches on Leadless Glazes. Garnier's History of the English Landed Interest; and Annals of the British Peasantry. Haeckel's History of Creation. Halford's Dry-Fly Fishing. Hastings and Selbie's Dictionary of the Bible. Haydn's Dictionary of Popular Medicine and Hygiene. Hazlitt's Four Generations of a Literary Family (the Hazlitts). Hedin's Through Asia. International Library of Famous Literature, Edited by R. Garnett, &c. Jameson's Legends of the Monastic Orders. Jerrold's Life of Gustave Doré. Jortin's Life of Erasmus. Keane's Africa. Lecky's History of England in the 18th Century; and History of European Morals. Letters of Queen Elizabeth and James VI. of Scotland. Mallock's Studies of Contemporary Superstition. May's Democracy in Europe. McCarthy's French Revolution. Memoirs of the Geological Survey of East Anglian Localities. Meyer's History of Chemistry. Parkman's Historical Works: Jesuits in North America, La Salle and the Discovery of the Great West, &c. Parliamentary History and Debates, 1066 to 1897 (511 vols.). Pepys's Memoirs: Diary and Correspondence, Edited by Lord Braybrooke. Polychrome Bible (as published). Price's Catalogue of Egyptian Antiquities in His Possession. Principles and Practice of Modern House Construction. Raynal's Histoire Philosophique et Politique. Root's Tariff and Trade. Sermons or Homilies Appointed to be Read in Churches (1623). Shakespeare Gallery, Photographic Reproductions of the Engravings. Shaw's Details of Elizabethan

Architecture. Slater's Special Reports on Educational Subjects. Smiles's A Publisher and His Friends: Memoir, &c., of the late John Murray. Smith's (A. M.) Coins of the World, Gold and Silver. Smith's (G.) The United Kingdom, a Political History. Smith's (G. B.) History of the English Parliament. Spurgeon's Autobiography. Switzerland and the Bavarian Highlands. Theobald's Account of British Flies. Trigonometrical Survey of India. Vetus Testamentum ex Versione Septuaginta Interpretum. Watts's Dictionary of Chemistry. Zion's Works, New Light on the Bible.

Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board of Trade and Trade Marks Journals, Cambridge Natural History, Dictionary of National Biography, Early English Text and Palæontographical Societies' Publications, Gentleman's Magazine Library, Historical Manuscripts Commission's Reports, Indexes to Periodical Literature, New English and other Dictionaries, and Public General Acts; also Proceedings and Reports of the British Association, Co-operative Congress, Egypt and Palestine Exploration Funds, Royal Colonial Institute, Royal Geographical Society, and Smithsonian Institution. The following are periodically bound:—Daylight, Eastern Daily Press, Norfolk Daily Standard, Norwich Mercury, Times (daily edition, and Index thereto purchased as published), the leading Illustrated Magazines and Newspapers, and Literary, Professional, and Religious Journals.

The Trustees of the British Museum have kindly forwarded Catalogues of Birds, vol. 26; Lepidoptera Phalænæ, vol. 1 and plates; Welwitsch's African Plants, vol. 1, parts 2 and 3, and vol. 2, part 1; and of the Printed Books, 6 parts; also Facsimiles of Royal and other Autographs, 4th series; Guide to the Exhibition Galleries, Hand-List of Birds, and Lists of Blastoidæ and Fossil Cephalopoda.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Aikin and Enfield's General Biography (1799-1815). Armitage's Son of God Walking with the Servants of God (1656). Badham's Nelson at Naples, a Journal for June 10-30, 1799. Barrett's Musings for Quiet Hours. Beal's Analysis of Palmer's Origines Liturgicæ. Bridge's (W.) Works. Burroughs's Gospel Worship (1648). Carter's Nail and the Wheel (1644-7). Cobb's History of Hunstanton, including Life of St. Edmund. Cooper's Practical Guide for the Light Infantry Officer. Cotman's Engravings of Sepulchral Brasses in Norfolk and Suffolk. Daniell, Spratt,

and Forbes's Travels in Lycia, Milyas, &c. Day's Music and Musical Instruments of Southern India and the Deccan. Eade's Medical Notes and Essays. Festing's John Hookham Frere and His Friends. Fletcher's (P.) Poems. Gardiner's History of Wisbech and Neighbourhood, 1848-98. Goulburn's Holy Week in Norwich Cathedral. Govett's Church of Old, in Its Gifts, Unity, and Ministry; and the Man of Sin, Is He the Popes? Harvey's History of the 4th Battalion Norfolk Regiment (late East Norfolk Militia). Hickes's Gentleman Instructed in the Conduct of a Virtuous and Happy Life (1707). Husenbeth's Our Blessed Lady of Lourdes. Kitton's Dickens and His Illustrators. Knight's Life of John Colet. Memoir of H. S. Patteson. Memoirs of the Life and Correspondence of H. Reeve. Memoirs of the Life of T. Paine. Middleton's Glimpses of the Glory-Land. Mountaign's Articles of Enquiry and Direction for the Diocese of Norwich (1638). Norwich Diocesan Conference Report (1899). Palgrave's Dictionary of Political Economy. Phillimore and Johnson's Norfolk Parish Registers: Marriages, vol. i. Pigott's Flowers and Ferns of Cromer and Neighbourhood. Reed's Scripture Warrant. Sayers's Works. Stoughton's Progress of Divine Revelation. Tate's East Coast Scenery. Tonna's English Martyrology. Tymms's Antient and Present State of the Norfolk Circuit (1833). Walpole's Letters to the Countess of Ossory. Wharton's Sermons (1697).

There have also been added as published, by presentation, or as special opportunities to purchase arose—Co-operative Monthly Herald, East Anglian Notes and Queries, Fenland Notes and Queries, Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society's Transactions, Norfolk and Norwich Notes and Queries, Norvicensian, Norwich Diocesan Gazette, and Poll Books; Statements of Accounts, etc., of the Corporation, County Council, Guardians, and School Board; and Engravings, Etchings, Maps, Old Newspapers, Pamphlets, Portraits, Views, etc., of a specially local nature.

REPORTS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES.

Annual Reports of similar Libraries have been received, the figures denoting the number of the Report and apparent age of the Library:—Aberdeen 15, Ashton-under-Lyne 5, Barrow-in-Furness 16, Belfast 11, Birmingham 37, Blackburn, Blackpool 19, Bolton 46, Bootle, Bradford 29, Buxton 10, Cambridge 44, Cardiff 37, Carlisle 5, Clitheroe 21, Colchester 5, Derby 28, Doncaster 29, Falmouth 5, Folkestone 17, Glasgow (Baillie's Institution), Hanley 12, Hove 7, Kingston-upon-Hull 4, Leamington Spa,

Leeds 29, Leek, Leicester 28, Lincoln 5, Liverpool 46—London: Battersea 12, Clapham 11, Clerkenwell, Croydon 10, Ealing 16, Hammersmith, Leyton 6, Richmond 18, Rotherhithe 8, Shoreditch 8, St. George, Hanover Square 5; St. Giles 6, St. Martin-in-the-Fields and St. Paul, Covent Garden; Streatham 8, Tottenham, West Ham, Westminster, Willesden 6—Longton, Manchester 47, Newcastle-upon-Tyne 18, Plymouth 22, Portsmouth 15, Preston 20, Salford 51, Sheffield 42 and 43 (2), Smethwick, Southampton 10, Tynemouth 28 and 29, West Bromwich 25, West Hartlepool 4, Wigan 21, Wolverhampton 30, Yarmouth 13, York. Also recent reports from the Los Angeles Public Library, Otis Library, Norwich, Conn.; Oxford Bodleian Library, Stirling's and Glasgow Library, and the Sydney Public Library 27 and 28 (2).

List of Donors, 1899-1900.

To one or other of the Departments, Books, etc., have been presented by the Agent-General of New South Wales, Mrs. Ashton, the Atlantic Cable Directory and Code Company, the British Association for the Advancement of Science, Sir H. Bullard, Mr. P. Burt, Mr. G. F. Buxton, the Canadian Government, Mons. A. G. Carlier, the Cobden Club, Mr. R. J. Colman, the Commissioner for Labour, the Committees of the Libraries referred to on page 18, the Co-operative Union Ltd., Mr. P. Cudmore, Mr. H. W. Dearden, Mr. E. Derry, Messrs. Digby, Long, & Co., Mr. H. F. Euren, Mr. H. Z. T. Flowers, Mr. W. J. Furnival, the General Editor of the University Correspondence College Press, Mr. F. H. Goose, Messrs. Greenberg & Co, Mrs. R. H. J. Gurney, Mr. F. W. Harmer, Captain Heaviside, Mr. C. B. Holinsworth, Miss A. A. Holmes, Mr. M. Hunt, Mr. Lamb, Mrs. A. J. Law, Mr. F. D. Longe, the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, Messrs. Macdonald & Co., Mr. C. Mackie, Mrs. B. Macpherson, Mr. Nimmo, the Norfolk and Norwich Musical Festival Committee, the Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society, the Norwich Insurance Institute, the Patent Office, Mrs. H. S. Patteson, Mr. F. G. H. Price, the Registrar of Durham University, the Royal Colonial Institute, Mr. A. E. Rump, the Selborne Society, the Sheffield Ruskin Museum Committee, the Smithsonian Institution, the Society for the Protection of Animals from Vivisection, Mr. T. Southwell, the Stubbs Publishing Company, Ltd., Mr. J. Taylor, the Trustees of the British Museum as on page 17, Mr. J. T. Varden, Mr. C. Williams, and Mr. J. Withey; also the Magazines, Newspapers, Periodicals, etc., marked † on pages 20 to 22, by Sir H. Bullard, Mr. J. Allen, other Friends, and various Proprietors thereof.

*The following Magazines, Reviews, Newspapers, Directories, &c., are placed in the Reading-Rooms. Those marked * are placed in the Women's Reading-Room, and those marked † are presented.*

ANNUALLY.

- † Australian Year-Book
- Baptist Handbook
- British Columbia Year-Book
- Cambridge University Calendar
- Catholic Year-Book and Directory
- Church of England Year-Book
- College of Preceptors Calendar
- Congregational Year-Book
- Crockford's Clerical Directory
- † Durham University Calendar
- Hazell's Annual
- Jewish Year-Book
- London University Calendar
- Municipal Year-Book
- Oxford University Calendar
- Royal Geog. Soc. Year-Book
- Statesman's Year-Book
- † University Corresp. Coll. Calendar
- Year's Art

QUARTERLY.

- Edinburgh Review
- * Englishwoman's Review
- Journal of Board of Agriculture
- Navy List
- Quarterly Review

MONTHLY.

- * Argosy (1 in Men's)
- Army List
- Art Journal
- Atlantic Monthly
- Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine
- † Building Society's Gazette
- † Canadian Patent Office Record
- * Cassell's Family Mag. (1 in Men's)
- * Century Illustrated
- * Chambers's Journal (1 in Men's)
- * Child's Guardian
- * Commonwealth
- * † Concord (1 in Men's)
- Contemporary Review
- Cornhill Magazine
- † Cottager and Artisan
- † Educational Times
- * English Illustrated Magazine
- * † Financial Reformer (1 in Men's)
- † Fire and Water
- Fortnightly Review

MONTHLY (continued).

- * † Free Life (1 in Men's)
- † Free Russia
- Gentleman's Magazine
- * Girl's Own Paper
- * † Glad Tidings (1 in Men's)
- Good Words
- * † Goodwill
- * Harper's Magazine
- * Household Words
- Idler
- † Insurance and Banking Review
- † Jewish Missionary Intelligence
- † Journal of Professional Musicians
- † Labour Gazette
- Leisure Hour
- Longman's Magazine
- Macmillan's Magazine
- Magazine of Art
- * † Musical Herald, Tonic Sol-Fa Rep.
- * † Musical Times
- National Review
- † Nature Notes
- Nineteenth Century
- † Oddfellows' Magazine
- * † Our Work at Home and Abroad
- † Personal Rights Journal
- † Plumber and Decorator
- † Positivist
- Quiver
- Review of Reviews
- Science Gossip
- * Scribner's Magazine
- Strand Magazine
- * Sunday at Home
- Temple Bar
- † Tract Magazine
- † University Correspondent
- † Vegetarian Messenger
- Westminster Review
- Zoologist
- † Zoophilist

TRI-WEEKLY.

Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart

BI-WEEKLY.

- * † Norwich Mercury (1 in Men's), 1 given

WEEKLY.

- Army and Navy Gazette
- Athenæum
- Australasian
- †Board of Trade Journal
- †Boot and Shoe Trades Journal
- †Boston Independent
- †Boy's Own Paper
- †Builder
- †Building News
- †Canadian Gazette
- †Cassell's Saturday Journal
- †Catholic Times
- †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.
- *†Christian World (2 in Men's) 1 giv.
- †Church Times
- †Civil Service Aspirant
- *†Civil Service Competitor (1 Men's)
- †Civil Service Gazette
- †Colliery Guardian
- *†Co-operative News (1 in Men's)
- †Councillor
- *†Cromer and North Walsham Post
- *†Daylight (2 in Men's) 1 given
- †Draper's Record
- *†Eastern Weekly Press
- †Electrician
- †Engineer
- †Engineering
- †English Churchman
- †English Mechanic
- †Era
- *†Family Herald and Supplement
- †Feathered World
- †Field
- *†Fun
- †Gardeners' Magazine
- †Gardening World
- *†Graphic (1 in Men's)
- †Guardian
- *†Illus. London News (1 in Men's)
- †Illus. Official Journal (Patents)
- †Invention
- †Investors' Review
- *†Ipswich Journal
- †Journal of Society of Arts
- †Judy
- *†Lady's Pictorial
- †Land and Water
- †Literary World
- †Local Government Journal
- †Lowestoft Journal
- †Lowestoft Standard
- †Lynn News and County Press
- †Mechanical World
- *†Midland Counties Herald
- †Nature

WEEKLY (continued).

- Newcastle Chronicle
- *†Norfolk Chron. (1 in Men's), 1 giv.
- *†Norfolk News (1 in Men's), 1 giv.
- *†Norfolk Weekly Standard and Argus (1 in Men's), 1 given
- †Notes and Queries
- *†People's Weekly Journal
- †Phonetic Journal
- †Present Truth
- †Public Opinion
- *†Punch (1 in Men's)
- *†Queen
- †Saturday Review
- †School Board Chronicle
- *†School Guardian
- †Schoolmaster
- *†Schoolmistress
- †Shipping Gazette and Lloyd's List
- †Shoe and Leather Record
- *†Spare Moments
- †Speaker
- †Spectator
- †Tablet
- †Tailor and Cutter
- *†Temperance Chronicle
- †Timber Trades Journal
- *†Tit Bits
- †Trade Marks Journal
- †Truth
- †University Correspondent
- †Volunteer Service Gazette
- †Weekly Sun
- †Westminster Budget
- *†Worcester Herald
- †Work
- †Yarmouth Independent
- *†Young Ladies' Journal

DAILY.

- Birmingham Post
- †Chronicle
- †East Anglian Times (in Lobby)
- *†Eastern Daily Press (2 in Men's) 1 given
- †Eastern Evening News (1 also in Lobby), 1 given
- †Echo (in Lobby)
- †Manchester Guardian
- †News
- †Norfolk Standard (in Lobby)
- †Pall Mall Gazette
- *†Standard (1 in Men's)
- †Star (in Lobby)
- *†Telegraph (1 in Men's)
- †Times, 1 given
- †Westminster Gazette
- †Yorkshire Post

RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

Bradshaw, and Continental in season	†London and South Western
†Cook's Excursionist	†London, Brighton, and South Coast
†Great Eastern	†London, Chatham, and Dover
†Great Eastern Continental	†Midland
†Great Northern	†Midland and Gt. Northern Joint
†Great Western	†Norwich—Fletcher's and Jarrold's
†London and North Western	†South Eastern

(The Time Tables, except Bradshaw's and Cook's, are placed in the Lobby.)

KELLY'S DIRECTORIES.

Beds, Hunts, and Northamptonshire	Lancashire—Part 1, Lancashire, with Gore's Liverpool; Part 2, Slater's Manchester, Salford, and Suburban
Berks, Bucks, and Oxon	Lincolnshire, with Hull and Neighbourhood
Birmingham, Staffs, Warwickshire, and Worcestershire	London
Cambs, Norfolk, and Suffolk	London Suburban
Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland, and Notts	Somersetshire and Gloucestershire, with Bristol
Devonshire and Cornwall	Yorks (West Riding; and North and East Ridings, with York)
Essex, Herts, and Middlesex	
Hants, Wilts, and Dorsetshire	
Kent, Surrey, and Sussex	

A B C Hotel Guide for Travellers; and Leigh's List of English Clubs
 Advertiser's A B C of Official Scales and Charges and Press Directory;
 and Practical Advertising
 Almanacks—British, Financial Reform, Whitaker's, &c.
 Amateur Work, Illustrated
 Atlantic Cable Directory and Code Book
 Blackie's Imperial Gazetteer
 Brewer's Phrase and Fable
 Business Directory of London and Provincial and Foreign Trade Guide
 Chambers's (Ed. by E. Preston) and Dougal & Co.'s Indexes to Next of Kin
 Chambers's Trade Directory
 Civil Service Year-Book and Guides—A B C, Cassell's, and Johnson's
 Commercial Directory of the United Kingdom and the Continent
 Dictionaries—Lloyd's Encyclopædic and Webster's International
 Directories—Contractors', Directors', Foresters', and Medical
 Eastern Counties Business and International Mercantile Directories
 Export Merchant Shippers and Manufacturers' Trade Directory
 Hone's Every-day Book, Table Book, and Year-Book
 Kelly's Directory of Merchants, Manufacturers, and Shippers
 Kelly's Handbook to the Titled, Landed, and Official Classes
 Lodge's Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire
 Patents for Inventions—Abridgments of Specifications
 Perry's Manufacturers and Merchants' Directory and Mercantile Guide
 Sell's Dictionary of the World's Press and Advertisers' Reference Book
 South Africa—Guide, and Official Handbook
 Spon's Workshop Receipts
 Stubbs's Directory of Great Britain and the Continent
 Ure's Dictionary of Arts, Manufactures, and Mines.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 31st March, 1900.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance in hand, 1st April, 1899	£	s.	d.
" Rate of 1d. in the £ raised under Public Libraries Act ...	482	14	5
" Dividends on Sinking Fund Investment ...	1320	0	0
" Rents ...	2	9	6
" Catalogues ...	41	17	9
" Borrowers' Tickets ...	6	6	8
" Lavatory ...	8	8	7
" Papers ...	1	6	3
" Post Cards and Postage...	1	16	7
	5	8	7

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PAYMENTS.

By Salaries and Wages ...	£	s.	d.
" Interest on Loan
" Sinking Fund Instalment ...	52	13	0
" Dividends... ..	1	15	1
" Insurance Premium ...	54	8	1
" Books and Binding ...	9	16	6
" Newspapers and Periodicals ...	360	19	11
" Printing and Stationery ...	93	18	6
" New Bookcases and Repairs ...	35	7	11
" Fuel and Light ...	70	15	6
" Miscellaneous ...	121	7	0
" Balance in hand ...	27	18	6
	503	14	0

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SPECIAL ACCOUNT.

Librarian's Disbursement of Fines Received.

To Balance in hand, 1st April, 1899	£	s.	d.
" Fines ...	18	0	2
	69	4	3
By Books, etc., Purchased in further extension of Local Collection ...	42	9	0
" Balance in hand ...	44	15	5
	87	4	5

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by Law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of

(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient ; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

*I bequeath**

**Books, Pictures,
or other objects of
Art or Interest.*

to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient ; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personal Estate ; and I further direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Committee.



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CITY OF NORWICH.

THE REPORT

OF THE

Free Library Committee

TO THE

TOWN COUNCIL.

1900-1901.

NORWICH:

EDWARD BURGESS AND SONS, LIMITED, ST. STEPHEN'S STREET.

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CITY OF NORWICH.
THE REPORT
OF THE
FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

TO THE TOWN COUNCIL,

From 1st April, 1900, to March 31st, 1901.

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*The Quarterly Meetings of the Committee will be held at the Library,
at 4 p.m. on the following days:—*

April 10th, July 10th, and October 9th, 1901; and January 8th, 1902.

The Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.

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NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

Area of the City—7,587 Acres.

Population of the City, 1901—111,728.

Rateable Value of the City, 1900—£369,000.

Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1900—£1,330.

Libraries Act Adopted—1850.

Library Opened—March, 1857.

Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1901.

Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.

Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—

Commenced September, 1889 ; Ceased July, 1896.

Reading-Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.

Books Issued by Indicator System -September, 1897.

Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.

Age for Borrowers Altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.

Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.

" " December, 1900, 34,176 Books, 7,808 Pamphlets.

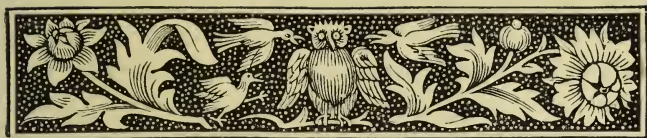
" " per cent. of Population - December, 1877, 4·35.

" " " " December, 1900, 30·59.

Issues for Home Reading—December, 1877, 1,100.

" " December, 1900, 10,099.

" " Total since 1877, 1,707,914.



REPORT, 1900-1901.

YOUR Committee, in presenting the Annual Report of the working of the Free Library, have to regret the loss the Library has sustained by the death in December last of the Chief Librarian, Mr. George Easter. From the time of his appointment in 1877, when the Library was in great need of an energetic head, Mr. Easter entered upon his work with great earnestness, and to the end of his days made faithful and continuous efforts to advance the interests and usefulness of the institution in his care ; his heart was in his work, and the result has been constant improvement. When he took office the Library contained only about 3,500 books, and the borrowers were equally limited in number ; to-day we report the stock to consist of 37,978 books and 8,217 pamphlets, including the valuable Local Collection, for the selection of which Mr. Easter was mainly responsible. On the day of the funeral, January 3rd, the Library was closed until the evening.

The Sub-Librarian, Mr. Tennant, has been appointed to fill the vacant post.

The extensive cellars under the Library, which had for many years been let for the storage of wines and spirits, are now vacant, and your Committee have not thought it advisable to re-let them. Upon inspecting them as to their possible use for news rooms, we find the difficulty of

adequately lighting them by other than artificial light; the cost of this and the large outlay that would have to be incurred to make them in any degree suitable for any kind of Library use (except perhaps to a limited extent for storage purposes) would not, in our opinion, justify such expenditure. The whole of the rooms on the top floor, hitherto occupied by the School of Art, have now been vacated. Before they can be put to any definite use considerable renovation is needed; but at present no steps have been taken in the matter. A thorough repair of the skylights, roof, windows, &c., have been found necessary. The consent of the Council has been obtained for the cost, estimated not to exceed £109.

The general work of the Library continues satisfactory; there has been increase in both readers and borrowers. The issues in the Lending Department increased from 107,293 to 114,973, and the average daily issues have been 496 against 457 last year. The number of persons holding tickets entitling them to the right to borrow is 6,898, an increase of 1,187. Nearly all branches of literature have shared in the increase in fairly equal proportions.

In the Lending Department about 500 volumes have been added, 305 have been purchased to replace worn-outs, and 5,638 have been repaired at the Library or by binders. The present stock is 19,231 volumes.

The Reference Department has received an accession of 751 volumes. In addition to the above about 3,500 "Blue Books," presented by Messrs. Colman, have been placed on the shelves of the Committee-Room. By a recent purchase we have now in stock all the Statutes from 1235 to 1886 in force, which makes complete the whole set up to the present date. The total stock in this department, including the local collection, now numbers 18,747 books and 8,217 pamphlets. The number of volumes consulted by students and others has been 14,612.

The Committee-Room has been, as in former years, freely used for literary studies; and the Reference Department

specially, by students attending the University Extension Lectures, books being again sent from Cambridge for their use.

The following are a few of the more valuable donations received, from—

Messrs. J. & J. Colman, Ltd.—3,500 Parliamentary Papers, Reports, Returns, &c.

The Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury.—193 vols., consisting of Calendars of State Papers, Acts of the Privy Council of England, Chronicles and Memorials of Great Britain and Ireland during the Middle Ages, Scottish and Irish Records, &c.

Mr. S. P. Beare—92 vols., including Massillon's Works in French, Illustrated Annuals, and books by local authors.

Rev. S. Joseph—The Talmud, in 12 vols., 1754.

Rev. S. C. Ward—13 Biographical, Scientific, and other works.

The Trustees of the British Museum—The Book of the Dead: Facsimiles of the Papyri of Hunefer, &c.; Handbook of the Coins of Great Britain and Ireland, &c.

Others, including a portrait of the late J. J. Colman, Esq., from Mr. R. J. Colman, and of the late Librarian, Mr. G. Easter, from his relatives—are acknowledged on page 18.

2,300 books, boxes, &c., remaining from the stock in the Juvenile Department, have been handed over to the educational authorities of the Board and Voluntary Schools to form the nucleus of the Day Schools Library, to continue the circulation of books among children upon the plan previously adopted by your Committee.

Discarded Books have been sent to the Borough Asylum, Workhouse, and Boys' Home. A parcel of over-date newspapers are given weekly for the use of the inmates of the Workhouse.

The Sunday attendance on March 31st was 277—in the Men's Reading-Room 233, and in the Women's 44. The result of the usual test in 1897 was 129 persons; 1898, 297; 1899, 327.

THOMAS S. BREESE, CHAIRMAN.

On pages 8 to 18 are particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues of books for 1900-1901 and from 1878, selections of books, &c., and the donors—but the following statistics show more readily the working of the Library in 1900-1901:—

LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 19231 volumes ; being in—

Art, Science, and Political Economy ...	2025	increase	34
Biography and Correspondence ...	1660	„	56
Poetry and Drama	732	„	10
Fiction	6610	„	199
History and Travel	2427	„	47
Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous	4652	„	98
Law and Theology	743	„	21
Natural History	382	„	28
Totals	19231	„	493
„ last year	18738	„	440
Days opened	232	last year	235

Borrowers—

Tickets issued to (new, 1338 ; renewed,

813)	2151	„	1928
Holding tickets, March 31st	6898	„	5711
Using tickets, March 31st	3255	„	3083

Issues, 114973 (117863 volumes) ; being in—

Art, Science, and Political Economy ...	3324	increase	393
Biography and Correspondence ...	1597	„	131
Poetry and Drama	934	„	86
Fiction	97446	„	7101
History and Travel	3151	„	41
Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous	7126	decrease	124
Law and Theology	711	„	36
Natural History	651	increase	88
Totals	114973	„	7680
„ last year	107293	decrease	2803
Average daily issues	496	last year	457
„ issues to each ticket-holder ...	17	„	19
„ „ „ ticket-user, Mar. 31	35	„	35

Issues in 1878, 26308—averaging 99 daily.

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

Fines for overdue books	...	...	£71/10/8	last year	£69/4/3
Catalogues	...	...	£6/11/0	„	£6/6/8
Books replaced	...	...	305	last year	566
Books repaired at Library and by Binders...	5638	„			5154

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

Issues in all sections	14612	„	11968
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PRESENT STOCK —

Books—

Lending Department	19231	increase	493
Reference Department	14753	„	3951
Ditto (Local Collection)	3994	„	184
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Totals	37978	„	4628
„ last year	33350	„	1605

Pamphlets —

Reference Department	3042	„	436
Ditto (Local Collection)	5175	„	126
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Total	8217	„	562
„ last year	7655	„	330

Stock in December, 1877, about 3500 books.

PERCENTAGES —

Lending Stock (19231 volumes)	...	17·21 per cent. of Population.
Issues (114973)	...	102·90 „ „
Borrowers (6898)	...	6·17 „ „
Total Stock (37978)	...	33·99 „ „

The Lending and Reference Departments are open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Sundays, Thursdays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Bank Holidays; and the Reading-Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Sundays (when it is from 3 to 9 p.m.), Christmas Day, and Good Friday.

Occupations of Borrowers.

Agents	9
Apprentices	15
Architects	4
Artists and Designer ..	3
Assistants	45
Attendant and Companions	4
Bagmaker and Boxmaker ..	2
Bakers	6
Barmaids	2
Basket Makers	2
Blacksmiths	2
Bookbinders	2
Booksellers and Publisher ..	3
Boot and Shoe Makers ..	28
Bricklayer and Plasterer ..	2
Brushmakers	4
Builders	3
Butchers	3
Cabinet Makers	4
Carpenters and Joiners ..	13
Cashiers	4
Cellarman and Storekeeper	2
Chemists	6
Cigar Makers	3
Clerks	110
Clickers	5
Coach Builders and Painter	3
Confectioners	7
Cook and Laundress	2
Crape Dressers	2
Cutters	6
Dairyman and Dealer	2
Decorators	2
Dentist and Surgeon	2
Domestic Servants	14
Drapers	13
Draughtsmen	3

Carried forward 342

Brought forward ..	342
Dressmakers	28
Electrical Engineers, &c. ..	5
Electricians	2
Engineers	6
Engravers	4
Errand and Office Boys ..	20
Factory Hands	5
Finishers	5
Fishmongers	2
Fitters	11
Florists	3
Gardener and Horticulturist	2
Gas Collector and Fitter ..	2
Gold Printer and Stamper ..	2
Grocers	9
Guard and Signalman	2
Hairdressers	4
House Boy and Page	2
Housekeepers	7
Housewives	30
Inland Revenue Officers ..	4
Inspectors	3
Ironmongers	8
Jeweller and Watchmakers ..	5
Journalist and Reporter ..	2
Labourers	5
Lithographers	2
Machinists	13
Managers and Manageress	7
Mantle Makers	3
Manufacturer and Merchants	5
Matron and Mother's Help ..	2
Messengers	5
Milliners	7
Ministers	10
Musicians	2

Carried forward 576

Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.

Years.	Tickets Issued.		New Borrowers.				Borrowers since May 31, 1897.	
1897-8 ...	3546	...	3529	(1788 females, 1741 males)				... 3529
1898-9 ...	1609	...	1360	(645	„	715	„)	... 4889
1899-1900	1928	...	1295	(603	„	692	„)	... 6184
1900-01 ...	2151	...	1338	(625	„	713	„)	... 7522
Totals	9234	...	7522	(3661	„	3861	„)	

The Borrowers to May 31, 1897, from December 1, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males - to whom had been issued 59394 cards.

Wards wherein Borrowers Resided.

		Population in 1891.	New Borrowers in 1900-01.		Borrowers since May 31, 1897.	
1. Conisford	...	6091	...	68	...	508
2. Ber Street	...	8426	...	68	...	323
3. Mancroft	...	4573	...	75	...	407
4. Westwick	...	6852	...	81	...	608
5. Coslany	...	6691	...	64	...	326
6. Fye Bridge	...	7775	...	54	...	316
7. Thorpe	...	5420	...	81	...	416
8. Lakenham	...	5450	...	65	...	325
9. Town Close	...	5970	...	66	...	407
10. Eaton	...	6971	...	214	...	1062
11. Nelson	...	6216	...	94	...	611
12. Earlham	...	5712	...	131	...	680
13. Heigham	...	5963	...	48	...	288
14. Wensum	...	6224	...	50	...	308
15. Catton	...	7016	...	87	...	461
16. Mousehold	...	5620	...	92	...	446
Totals	...	100970	...	1338	...	7522

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1074; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.

Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1900-1901.

Months, 1900-1901.	Days open.	Art, Science, and Political Economy.	Biography and Correspondence.	Poetry and Drama.	Fiction.	History and Travel.	Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous.	Law and Theology.	Natural History.	Monthly Issues.	Average Daily Issues.
April ...	19	246	149	70	8310	267	607	67	66	9782	515
May ...	22	274	109	80	8571	311	584	58	75	10062	457
June ...	21	259	115	68	8191	268	588	74	60	9623	458
July ...	22	248	107	63	7888	251	567	54	65	9243	420
August ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
September ...	21	296	129	74	8589	236	614	62	44	10044	478
October ...	23	368	151	100	9627	288	679	77	55	11345	493
November ...	21	350	157	99	9035	305	678	64	64	10752	512
December ...	20	308	131	96	8558	266	642	54	44	10099	505
January ...	22	344	165	101	9481	306	741	82	54	11274	513
February ...	19	286	179	100	8992	317	719	75	46	10714	564
March ...	22	345	205	83	10204	339	707	74	78	12035	547
Totals ...	232	3324	1597	934	97446	3154	7126	741	651	114973	496
Percentages '00-1	...	2.89	1.39	0.81	84.76	2.74	6.20	0.64	0.57	...	...
Percentages '99-0	...	2.73	1.37	0.79	84.20	2.90	6.76	0.72	0.53	...	...

Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1900-1901.

Years.	Days open.	Art, Science, Political Economy.	Biography and Correspondence.	Poetry and Drama.	Fiction.	History and Travel.	Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellany.	Law and Theology.	Natural History.	Total Issues.	Average Daily Issues.
1878 to 1882 ..	1275	4790	7007	2406	97717	11998	24400	1675	2279	152272	119
1883 to *1887-8 ..	1265	8661	7589	3065	248945	15603	56679	1381	3069	344992	273
1888-9 to 1892-3 ...	1170	13047	7391	4202	340080	17252	56596	2282	4455	445305	381
1893-4 ...	232	2304	1298	726	68678	3261	8918	465	705	86355	372
1894-5 ...	235	2555	1099	640	75413	2676	9207	577	563	92730	395
1895-6 ...	236	2354	1365	649	73650	3387	8041	468	526	90440	382
1896-7 ...	233	2190	1002	588	75555	2882	6655	487	516	89875	386
1897-8 (to May 31)	46	423	260	116	15320	662	1408	121	134	18444	401
To May 31, 1897	4692	36324	27011	12392	995358	57721	171904	7456	12247	1320413	281
1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13)	137	1719	796	403	46125	1528	3939	343	286	55139	402
1898-9 ...	258	3286	1459	787	92637	2946	7725	666	590	110096	427
1899-1900 ...	235	2931	1466	848	90345	3113	7250	777	563	107293	457
1900-01 ...	232	3324	1397	934	97446	3154	7126	741	651	114973	496
Totals ...	5554	47584	32329	15364	1321911	68462	197944	9983	14337	1707914	308
Percentages ...	...	2.79	1.89	0.90	77.40	4.01	11.59	0.58	0.84	...	...

* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26 instead of January 1; and in 1899 it closed March 31 instead of March 25. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13, 1897. See note on page 13.

Monthly Issues of Books from 1878 to 1900-1901.

Years.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
1878 to *1882 ..	13154	13986	15145	14828	14455	13359	14392	6327	6774	11713	13995	14144	152272
1883 to 1887-8 ..	35193	35006	38062	27961	28962	26390	26622	8981	27101	31064	30725	28725	344992
1888-9 to 1892-3 ..	39522	39113	36408	37968	...	38899	41089	41867	39571	45067	42453	42748	445305
1893-4 ..	7845	6706	6657	7353	...	7572	8182	8027	7997	9383	8316	8317	86355
1894-5 ..	8453	8060	8235	7636	...	7614	8307	8306	8109	9218	8687	10105	92730
1895-6 ..	8494	8117	7526	7563	...	7234	7881	8648	7968	9907	8865	9137	90440
1896-7 ..	8214	8494	7648	7541	...	7706	8174	8113	7527	8943	8297	9218	89875
1897-8 (to May 31)	10215	8229	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18444
To May 31, 1897..	125532	122136	106423	109075	15308	102900	117010	119681	114041	129965	125610	132732	1320413
1897-8 (fr. Sept. 15)	...	...	...	...	...	4031	8186	8515	7905	9530	9089	7883	55139
1898-9 ..	9412	8734	8231	8119	8033	8006	9380	8929	8446	10008	9607	12091	110096
1899 1900 ..	10428	10000	8845	8765	...	9257	9536	9662	8585	10689	10052	11473	107293
1900 01 ..	9782	10062	9623	9243	...	10014	11345	10752	10099	11274	10714	12035	114973
Totals ..	155154	150932	133122	135503	23341	134838	155457	157339	149276	171466	165072	176214	1707914
Percentages ..	9.08	8.84	7.80	7.93	1.37	7.90	9.10	9.22	8.74	10.04	9.67	10.31	...

* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven, weeks extra. See note on page 12.

*A Selection from the Additions to the Library during
1900-1901.*

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Addis's Christianity and the Roman Empire. Allen's Evolutionist at Large, and In Nature's Workshop. Ansted's Geological Gossip. Argyle's Unity of Nature. Bagehot's Lombard Street. Beaulieu's Awakening of the East—Siberia, Japan, China. Brightwen's Rambles with Nature Students. Bryce's Impressions of South Africa. Bullen's With Christ at Sea. Buusen's Winter in Berlin. Campbell's A Faith for To-Day. Chamberlain's The Child, a Study in the Evolution of Man. Chance's Our Treatment of the Poor. Coutts & Co., Bankers, Memoirs. Dana's Minerals, and How to Study Them. Dixon's Annals of Bird Life. Du Chaillu's Land of the Long Night. Elizabeth and Her German Garden. Ellis's The Human Ear. Fitchett's How England Saved Europe. Fletcher's History of Independency in England Since the Reformation. Giles's History of Chinese Literature. Hamerton's Thoughts about Art. Hammerton's Barrie and His Books. Handley's Fatal Opulence of Bishops. Harnack's What is Christianity? Hofmeyr's Story of My Captivity. Houssay's Industries of Animals. Hutton (R. H.) of the "Spectator," a Monograph. Jackson's James Martineau, a Biography and Study. Krausse's China in Decay. Lapworth's Intermediate Text Book of Geology. Lloyd's Thousand Miles with the C. I. V. Macpherson's Herbert Spencer, the Man and His Work. Martyred Missionaries of the China Inland Mission. Masterman's Tennyson as a Religious Teacher. Maxwell's Wild Sports of the West of Ireland. Melliar's Book of the Rose. Morley's Oliver Cromwell. Morris's Life and Death of Jason. Müller's Auld Lang Syne. Myers's History of Tammany Hall. Newman's Church of the Fathers. Pen Pictures of the War. Podmore's Apparitions and Thought - Transference. Pollard's England Under Protector Somerset. Richardson's Biologicæ Experimentation. Roberts's Rise of Wellington. Ryle's Knots Untied. Secretan's To Klondyke and Back. Simonson's Plain Examination of Socialism. Stevenson's (R. L.) Letters, Edited by S. Colvin. Sullivan's Life Story, Letters, and Reminiscences. Symonds's Shakespeare's Predecessors in the English Drama. Ten Months in the Field with Boers. The Bow in the Cloud, or the

Negro's Memorial. The Great Awakening. Tweedie's Winter Jannt to Norway. Wallace's Wonderful Century. White's Modern Jew. Wicksteed's Alphabet of Economic Science. Wilkinson's Australia at the Front. Work and Play in Girls' Schools, by Dorothy Beale and others.

The following series of works have been added to:—Contemporary Science, Fur, Feather, and Fin; Popular County Histories, Social Science, and Story of the Nations. The principal Magazines to date, and recent works of Fiction have also been added.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Addis and Arnold's Catholic Dictionary: Account of Doctrine, Rites, Orders, &c. Allen's Science in Arcady. Anthology of French Poetry, translated by H. Carrington. Bain's Principles of Wealth-Creation. Bartholomew's Physical Atlas: Meteorology. Bell's Chippendale, Sheraton, and Hepplewhite Furniture Designs. Bloxam's Gothic Ecclesiastical Architecture. Browne's Artistic and Scientific Taxidermy and Modelling. Couch's Oxford Book of English Verse, 1250-1900. Edersheim's Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah. Ellis's Early English Metrical Romances. Foster's Text Book of Physiology, 5 volumes. Frazer's The Golden Bough, a Study in Magic and Religion. Geikie's Prehistoric Europe. Graetz's History of the Jews. Grogan and Sharp's From the Cape to Cairo. Hamilton's Dated Book-Plates. Howorth's Glacial Nightmare and the Flood, and Mammoth and the Flood. Hutchinson's Marriage Customs in Many Lands. Huxley's Life and Letters. Jackson's Pictorial Press. Jeaffreson's The Real Shelley. Julian's Dictionary of Hymnology. Leland and Ward's Useful Arts and Handicrafts. Leland's Gypsy Sorcery and Fortune Telling. Leonard's Early History of English Poor Relief. Mackail's Life of William Morris. Milton's Poetical Works, Edited by D. Masson. Neufeld's Prisoner of the Khaleefa. Paget's Experiments on Animals. Palmer's Nonconformist Memorial (1775). Parliamentary Debates, Papers, Reports, and Returns (including the donation of about 3,500 Blue Books). Philpot's Gospel Pulpit. Pond's Eccentricities of Genius. Purcell's Life of Cardinal Manning. Record Office and other Publications: Calendars of State Papers, Acts of the Privy Council, Chronicles and Memorials of Great Britain and Ireland, &c. Reid's Concordance to the Poems and Songs of Robert Burns. Richardson's

Famous Ladies of the English Court. Robinson's Greek and English Lexicon of the New Testament. Row's Future Retribution Viewed in the Light of Reason and Revelation. Rimmer's Ancient Streets and Homesteads of England. Scandinavian Folk-Lore. Shakespearian—Donnelly's The Cipher in the Plays, and on the Tombstone; Jusserand's Shakespeare in France Under the Ancien Régime; Retzsch's Illustrations to Shakespeare, 5 volumes. Stedman's American Anthology. Sowerby's English Botany. Statutes of 1235 to 1886 now in force. Story of the Sea. Strong's Christian Ethics. The Babylonian Talmud, 12 volumes (1754). Thomson's Handbook of Anatomy for Art Students. Turner's Knowledge, Belief, and Certitude. Tyack's Lore and Legend of the English Church. Watson's Text Book of Physics. Wylie's History of England Under Henry IV.

Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board of Trade and Trade Marks Journals, Dictionary of National Biography, Early English Text and Palæontographical Societies' Publications, Historical Manuscripts Commission's Reports, Indexes to Periodical Literature, New English and other Dictionaries, and Public General Acts; also Proceedings and Reports of the British Association, Co-operative Congress, Egypt Exploration Fund, Royal Colonial Institute, Royal Geographical Society, and Smithsonian Institution. The following are periodically bound:—Daylight, Eastern Daily Press, Norfolk Daily Standard, Norwich Mercury, Times (daily edition, and Index thereto purchased as published), the leading Illustrated Magazines and Newspapers, and Literary, Professional, and Religious Journals.

The Trustees of the British Museum have kindly forwarded Catalogues of Drawings by British Artists, vol. 2; Seals in the MSS. Department, vol. 6; the Cretaceous Bryozoa, vol. 1; the Lepidoptera Phalaenæ, vol. 2 and plates; and of the Printed Books, 12 parts and Rules; also Book of the Dead, Facsimiles of the Papyri of Hunefer, Anhai, Kerāsher, and Netchemet, with Supplement; Facsimiles of Autographs, 5th series; Handbook of the Coins of Great Britain and Ireland; Illustrations of the Botany of Cook's First Voyage; Index to Charters and Rolls; and Monograph of Christmas Island (Indian Ocean).

LOCAL COLLECTION.

Account of the Amherst Papyri, part I. Alger's Englishmen in the French Revolution. Barrett's Tours in East Anglia. Beloe's Our Borough, Our Churches (King's Lynn). Bidwell's Annals of an East Anglian Bank. Brewer's English Studies and Essays. Bryant and Cornish's Norfolk Churches. Cavalier's Preacher's Dictionary. Chorley's Metrical Index to the Bible (1711). Dugdale's Monasticon Anglicanum. Dutt's Highways and Byeways in East Anglia. Eade's Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, 1770-1900. Glyde's Life of Edward Fitzgerald. Godwin's Enquirer, and Thoughts on Man. Goodwin's Essays on the Pentateuch. Govett's Entrance into the Kingdom, and various other works. Gurney's Rambles of a Naturalist in Egypt, &c. Hall's Invisible World (1659). Heydon's Idea of the Law and of Government and Tyranny (1660). Howard's Historical Anecdotes of some of the Howard Family (1769). Kaufmann's Social Development Under Christian Influence. L'Estrange's Alliance of Divine Offices, Exhibiting all the Liturgies, &c. (1690). Mason's Norfolk Photographically Illustrated. Meyrick's Scriptural and Catholic Truth and Worship. MSS. Lists of Arms and Crests of the Gentry of Norfolk. Nelson's Friendships, by Hilda Gamlin. Palgrave's Dictionary of Political Economy. Paston Letters, 4-vol. edition, 1900. Pollard's Birds of my Parish. Powicke's Henry Barrow, Separatist. Rosebery's Napoleon, the Last Phase. Rye's Index Rerum to Norfolk Antiquities. Smiles's Huguenots, Their Settlements, Churches, and Industries. Strype's Life of J. Strype. Taylor's Lays of the Minnesingers of the 12th and 13th Centuries. Tonna's Tales and Illustrations for Young Persons. Turner's Account of a Tour in Normandy. Wharton's Treatise of the Celibacy of the Clergy (1688). Whiston's Historical Preface, Proposals, and Considerations (1711). Wilkinson's Architectural Remains of Thetford.

There have also been added as published, by presentation, or as special opportunities to purchase arose—Co-operative Monthly Herald, East Anglian Notes and Queries, Eastern Counties Magazine, Fenland Notes and Queries, Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society's Transactions, Norfolk and Norwich Notes and Queries, Norfolk Annals, Norfolk Parish Registers (Marriages), Norwicensian, and Norwich Diocesan Gazette; Statements of Accounts etc., of the Corporation, County Council, Guardians, and School Board; and Engravings, Etchings, Maps, Old Newspapers, Pamphlets, Portraits, Views, etc., of a specially local nature.

REPORTS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES.

Annual Reports of similar Libraries have been received, the figures denoting the number of the Report and apparent age of the Library:—Aberdeen 16, Arbroath 2, Ashton-under-Lyne 6, Belfast 12, Birmingham 38, Blackburn, Bolton 47, Bootle 13, Bradford 30, Cambridge 45, Cardiff 38, Carlisle 6, Cheltenham 15, Clitheroe 22, Colechester 6, Derby 29, Folkestone 18, Glasgow (Baillic's Institution) 11, Gloucester 1, Hanley 13, Hove 8, Leamington Spa, Leeds 30, Leicester 29, Lincoln 6, Liverpool 47—London: Battersea 13, Clerkenwell, Croydon 11, Ealing 17, Fulham 12 and 13 (2), Hammer-smith, Leyton 7, Limehouse District 1 and 2 (2), Richmond 19, Rotherhithe 9, Shoreditch 9, St. George, Hanover Square 6; St. Giles 7, Streatham 9, Twickenham 18, West Ham, Westminster, Willesden Green 7—Longton 9, Manchester 48, Plymouth 23, Preston 21, Salford 52, Southampton 11, Tynemouth 30, West Bromwich 26, Wigan 22, Wimbledon 13, Wolverhampton 31, Yarmouth 14, York 7. Also recent reports from the Birmingham Library, Los Angeles Public Library, New York Maimonides Free Library, Otis Library of Norwich (Conn.), Oxford Bodleian Library, St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, Stirling's and Glasgow Public Library, and the Public Library of New South Wales, Sydney, 29.

List of Donors, 1900-1901.

To one or other of the Departments, Books, etc., have been presented by the Agent-General of New South Wales, Mr. J. G. Alger, the Author of "The Great Awakening," Mr. S. P. Beare, Mr. W. H. Bidwell, the Board of Trade (Labour Department), Mr. L. G. Bolingbroke, Mr. T. G. Bowles, Mr. T. S. Breese, the British Association for the Advancement of Science, Mr. H. Bullard, Mr. G. F. Buxton, Mr. E. W. Carlier, the Hon. J. H. Choate, Mr. W. G. Clarke, Messrs. J. & J. Colman, Ltd., the Committees of the Libraries as above, the Co-operative Union, Ltd., Messrs. Dawbarn and Ward, Sir Peter Eade, Mr. J. Passmore Edwards, Sir G. Elliott, Mr. A. Euren, Mr. H. F. Euren, a Friend per the Publisher of Philpot's "Gospel Pulpit," the General Editor of the University Tutorial Press, Mr. F. Guard, Mr. F. W. Harmer, Mr. C. B. Holinsworth, Mr. J. Hooper, Mr. G. Howard, Mr. B. Hudson, the Incorporated Society of Musicians, Rev. S. Joseph, Mr. G. A. King, the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury, Messrs. W. Macdonald & Co., Ltd., Messrs. Mather & Crowther, Ltd., the Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society, the Norwich Insurance Institute, Mr. S. Paget, the Patent Office, Miss C. L. Patteson, the Registrar of Durham University, the Royal Colonial Institute, Mr. A. E. Rump, Mr. T. Saint, the Smithsonian Institution, Mr. T. Southwell, Mr. J. A. Taylor, Trade and Counties Directories, Ltd., the Trustees of the British Museum, Rev. S. C. Ward, and Mr. C. Williams; also the Magazines, etc., marked † on pages 19 to 21, by Sir H. Bullard, Mr. J. Allen, other Friends, and various Proprietors thereof.

*The following Magazines, Reviews, Newspapers, Directories, &c., are placed in the Reading-Rooms. Those marked * are placed in the Women's Reading-Room, and those marked † are presented.*

ANNUALLY.

† Australian Year-Book
 Baptist Handbook
 Cambridge University Calendar
 Catholic Year Bk. and Directory
 Church of England Year-Book
 Congregational Year-Book
 Crockford's Clerical Directory
 † Durham University Calendar
 Hazell's Annual
 Jewish Year-Book
 London University Calendar
 Municipal Year-Book
 Oxford University Calendar
 Statesman's Year-Book
 † University Corres. Coll. Calendar
 Year's Art

QUARTERLY.

Edinburgh Review
 * Englishwoman's Review
 Journal of Board of Agriculture
 Navy List
 Quarterly Review

MONTHLY.

* Argosy (1 in Men's)
 Army List
 Art Journal
 Atlantic Monthly
 Blackwood's Edinburgh Magaz.
 † Building Society's Gazette
 † Canadian Patent Office Record
 * Cassell's Fam. Mag. (1 in Men's)
 Cassier's Magazine
 * Century Illustrated
 * Chambers's Journal (1 in Men's)
 * † Child's Guardian
 * Commonwealth
 * † Concord (1 in Men's)
 Contemporary Review
 Cornhill Magazine
 † Cottager and Artisan
 † Educational Times
 * English Illustrated Magazine
 * † Financial Reformer (1 in Men's)
 † Fire and Water
 Fortnightly Review
 * † Free Life (1 in Men's)
 † Free Russia
 Gentleman's Magazine

MONTHLY (continued).

* Girl's Own Paper
 * † Glad Tidings (1 in Men's)
 Good Words
 * † Goodwill
 * Harper's Magazine
 * Household Words
 Idler
 † Insurance and Banking Review
 † Jewish Missionary Intelligence
 † Journal of Professional
 † Labour Gazette [Musicians
 Leisure Hour
 Longman's Magazine
 Macmillan's Magazine
 Magazine of Art
 Monthly Review
 * † Musical Herald, Tonic Sol-Fa
 * † Musical Times [Rep.
 National Review
 † Nature Notes
 Nineteenth Century
 † Oddfellows' Magazine
 † Personal Rights Journal
 † Plumber and Decorator
 † Positivist
 Quiver
 Review of Reviews
 Science Gossip
 * Scribner's Magazine
 Strand Magazine
 * Sunday at Home
 Temple Bar
 † Tract Magazine
 † University Correspondent
 † Vegetarian Messenger
 Westminster Review
 Zoologist
 † Zoophilist

TRI-WEEKLY.

Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart

BI-WEEKLY.

* † Norwich Mercury (1 in Men's),
 1 given

WEEKLY.

Army and Navy Gazette
 Athenæum
 Australasian
 † Board of Trade Journal

WEEKLY (continued).

Boot and Shoe Trades Journal
 †Boston Independent
 Boy's Own Paper
 Builder
 Building News
 †Canadian Gazette
 Cassell's Saturday Journal
 †Catholic Times
 *†Christian Endeavour (1 in Men's)
 †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.
 *†Christian World (2 in Men's) 1 giv
 †Church Review
 Church Times
 †Civil Service Aspirant
 †Civil Service Candidate
 *†Civil Service Competitor (1 Men's)
 †Civil Service Gazette
 †Colliery Guardian
 *†Co-operative News (1 in Men's)
 †Councillor and Guardian
 *†Cromer and North Walsham Post
 *†Daylight (2 in Men's) 1 given
 †Draper's Record
 *†Eastern Weekly Press
 Electrician
 Engineer
 Engineering
 †English Churchman
 English Mechanic
 Era
 *Family Herald and Supplement
 Feathered World
 Field
 *Fun
 Gardeners' Magazine
 †Gardening World
 *Graphic (1 in Men's)
 †Guardian
 *Illus. London News (1 in Men's)
 †Illus. Official Journal (Patents)
 Invention
 Investors' Review
 *†Ipswich Journal
 †Journal of Society of Arts
 Judy
 *Lady's Pictorial
 Land and Water
 †Literary World
 †Local Government Journal
 †Lowestoft Journal
 †Lowestoft Standard
 †Lynn News and County Press
 Mechanical World
 *†Midland Counties Herald
 Nature
 Newcastle Chronicle

WEEKLY (continued).

*†Norfolk Chron. (1 Men's), 1 giv.
 *†Norfolk News (1 Men's), 1 giv.
 *†Norfolk Weekly Standard and
 Argus (1 in Men's), 1 given
 Notes and Queries
 *†People's Weekly Journal
 Phonetic Journal
 †Present Truth
 Public Opinion
 *Punch (1 in Men's)
 *Queen
 Saturday Review
 †School Board Chronicle
 *School Guardian
 Schoolmaster
 *Schoolmistress
 Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List
 †Shoe and Leather Record
 *Spare Moments
 Speaker
 Spectator
 Sunday Sun
 †Tablet
 †Tailor and Cutter
 *†Temperance Chronicle
 Timber Trades Journal
 *Tit Bits
 Trade Marks Journal
 Truth
 †University Correspondent
 Volunteer Service Gazette
 Westminster Budget
 *†Worcester Herald
 Work
 †Yarmouth Independent
 *Young Ladies' Journal

DAILY.

Birmingham Post
 Chronicle
 East Anglian Times
 *†Eastern Daily Press (1 in Men's,
 1 also in Lobby), 1 given
 †Eastern Evening News (1 also in
 Lobby), 1 given
 Echo (in Lobby)
 Manchester Guardian
 News
 Norfolk Standard (in Lobby)
 Pall Mall Gazette
 *Standard (1 in Men's)
 Star (in Lobby)
 *Telegraph (1 in Men's)
 †Times, 1 given
 Westminster Gazette
 Yorkshire Post

RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

Bradshaw, and Continental in season	†London and South Western
†Cook's Excursionist	†London, Brighton, and South Coast
†Great Eastern	†London, Chatham, and Dover
†Great Eastern Continental	†Midland
†Great Northern	†Midland and Gt. Northern Joint
†Great Western	†Norwich—Fletcher's & Jarrold's
†London and North Western	†South Eastern

(The Time Tables, except Bradshaw's and Cook's, are placed in the Lobby.)

KELLY'S DIRECTORIES.

Beds, Hunts, and Northamptonshire	Lancashire, except Liverpool and Manchester ; with Gore's
Berks, Bucks, and Oxon	Liverpool and Suburbs, and
Birmingham, Staffs, Warwickshire, and Worcestershire	Slater's Manchester, Salford, and Suburban
Cambs, Norfolk, and Suffolk	Lincolnshire, with Hull and Neighbourhood
Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland, and Notts	London
Devonshire and Cornwall	London Suburban
Essex, Herts, and Middlesex	Somersetshire and Gloucestershire, with Bristol
Hants, Wilts, and Dorsetshire	Yorks (West Riding; and North and East Ridings, with York)
Kent, Surrey, and Sussex	

A B C Hotel Guide for Travellers ; and Leigh's List of English Clubs
Advertiser's A B C, Standard Advertisement Press Directory ; and
Practical Advertising
Almanacks—British, Financial Reform, Whitaker's, &c.
Amateur Work, Illustrated
Atlantic Cable Directory and Code Book
Blackie's Imperial Gazetteer
Brewer's Phrase and Fable
Business Directory of London and Provincial and Foreign Trade Guide
Chambers's (Ed. by E. Preston) and Dougal & Co.'s Indexes to Next of Kin
Chambers's Trade Directory
Civil Service Year-Book and Guides—A B C, Cassell's, and Johnson's
Commercial Directory of the United Kingdom and the Continent
Dictionaries—Lloyd's Encyclopædic and Webster's International
Directories—Contractors', Directors', Foresters', and Medical
Eastern Counties Business and International Mercantile Directories
Export Merchant Shippers and Manufacturers' Trade Directory
Hone's Every-day Book, Table Book, and Year-Book
Kelly's Directory of Merchants, Manufacturers, and Shippers
Kelly's Handbook to the Titled, Landed, and Official Classes
Lodge's Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire
Macdonald's English Trade Directory and Gazetteer
Patents for Inventions—Abridgments of Specifications
Perry's Manufacturers and Merchants' Directory and Mercantile Guide
Sell's Dictionary of the World's Press and Advertisers' Reference Book
South Africa—Guide, and Official Handbook
Spon's Workshop Receipts
Stubbs's Directory of Great Britain and the Continent
Ure's Dictionary of Arts, Manufactures, and Mines

FREE LIBRARY

*Revenue Account for the Year***Expenditure.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Salaries—Librarian (late George Easter) ...	112	10	0			
" (J. G. Tennant) ...	36	8	1			
Assistant Librarian ...	82	15	10			
Assistants ...	282	15	10			
Charwoman ...	20	16	0			
	<hr/>			535	5	9
Loan—Interest ...	38	6	8			
Instalments ...	52	13	1			
	<hr/>			90	19	9
Insurance ...	9	16	6			
Books Purchased ...	274	16	3			
Binding Books ...	129	5	3			
Newspapers and Periodicals ...	128	11	8			
Printing and Stationery ...	38	0	8			
Repairs ...	42	19	5			
Electric Light—6 quarters ...	157	2	1			
Gas, Water, and Fuel ...	44	0	5			
Subscription to Library Association ...	1	1	0			
Do. Palæontographical Society ...	1	1	0			
Librarian's Disbursements ...	14	17	7			
	<hr/>			841	11	10
Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure ...				279	14	0
				<hr/>		
				1747	11	4
				<hr/>		

Fines Account for the Year

To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection	85	17	8
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	85	17	8
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BALANCE

Liabilities.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Sundry Creditors ...				138	19	0
Revenue Balance to 31st March, 1900 ...	502	19	7			
Do. for the year ...	279	14	0			
	<hr/>			782	13	7
Fines Account—Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1900	44	15	5			
Deduct Excess Expenditure for the year ...	14	1	1			
	<hr/>			30	14	4
				<hr/>		
				952	6	11
				<hr/>		

FUND.

*ended 31st March, 1901.***Income.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Rent				50	7	9
Sale of Catalogues	6	0	11			
Borrowers' Tickets	9	13	9			
Papers	4	0	10			
Post Cards, etc.	4	12	6			
Lavatory	1	8	4			
	<hr/>			25	16	4
Science and Art Committee—Moiety of Cost of Water for the three years ended 31st March, 1900				5	2	3
Rate equal to $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st January, 1900, to 30th June, 1900, included in Precept for Rates, dated 16th January, 1900 ...	665	0	0			
Do. for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1900, included in Precept for Rates dated 26th June, 1900... ..	665	0	0			
Do. for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1901, included in Precept for Rates dated 18th December, 1900	336	5	0			
	<hr/>			1666	5	0
				1747	11	4
				<hr/>		

ended 31st March, 1901.

By Fines	71	16	7
Balance being Excess Expenditure over Income ...	14	1	1
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	85	17	8
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SHEET.

Assets.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Sundry Debtors				342	3	9
Cash in hand—Treasurer	579	8	10			
" — Librarian	30	14	4			
	<hr/>			610	3	2
				952	6	11
				<hr/>		

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by Law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of

(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

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*I bequeath\**

\*Books, Pictures,  
or other objects of  
Art or Interest.

*to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personal Estate; and I further direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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**Donations may be intimated to the Librarian, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Committee.**







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With the Chairman's Compliments.

University of Illinois,  
Library School.



# CITY OF NORWICH.

THE REPORT

OF THE

## Free Library Committee

TO THE

## TOWN COUNCIL.

1901-2.

NORWICH :

EDWARD BURGESS AND SONS, LIMITED, ST. STEPHEN STREET.



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CITY OF NORWICH.  
THE REPORT  
OF THE  
FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

TO THE TOWN COUNCIL,  
*From 1st April, 1901, to March 31st, 1902.*

MAYOR :  
R. J. COLMAN, Esq.

SHERIFF :  
H. T. S. PATTESON, Esq.

COMMITTEE—

Mr. Councillor T. S. BREESE, *Chairman.*

|                              |                                                             |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| MR. ALDERMAN R. G. BAGSHAW   | MR. COUNCILLOR W. H. JONES                                  |
| MR. COUNCILLOR H. J. COPEMAN | MR. COUNCILLOR R. F. LADELL                                 |
| MR. COUNCILLOR G. CUBITT     | MR. COUNCILLOR A. M. STEVENS                                |
| MR. COUNCILLOR L. W. ENGLISH | MR. COUNCILLOR J. E. H. WATSON                              |
| MR. ALDERMAN G. GREEN.       | MR. ALDERMAN G. WHITE, J.P., M.P.,<br><i>Vice-Chairman.</i> |
| MR. COUNCILLOR A. G. HOWLETT |                                                             |

NOT MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

|                        |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| MR. J. ALLEN           | MR. A. E. RUMP     |
| MR. H. F. EUREN        | MR. T. SAINT       |
| MR. B. W. HARCOURT     | MR. S. A. SCARLETT |
| MR. F. W. HARMER, J.P. | MR. T. SOUTHWELL   |
| REV. J. HOLDEN         |                    |

ARNOLD H. MILLER, TOWN CLERK. | H. G. BARCLAY, CITY TREASURER.  
A. F. GENTRY, CITY ACCOUNTANT.

J. GEO. TENNANT, LIBRARIAN. | L. R. HAGGERSTON, SUB-LIBRARIAN.  
J. FINCH AND R. LLOYD, SENIOR ASSISTANTS.  
G. LONG AND V. SPINKS, JUNIOR ASSISTANTS.

W. H. HALL, READING-ROOM ATTENDANT. | M. KELTY, SUNDAY ATTENDANT.

*The Quarterly Meetings of the Committee will be held at the Library,  
at 4 p.m. on the following days :—*

April 9th, July 9th, and October 8th, 1902 ; and January 14th, 1903.

*The Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.*

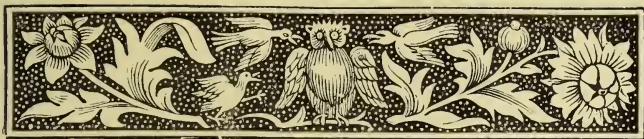
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## NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

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Area of the City—7,582 Acres.  
 Population of the City, 1901—111,728.  
 Rateable Value of the City, 1901—£430,000.  
 Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1901—£1,500.  
 Libraries Act Adopted—1850.  
 Library Opened—March, 1857.  
 Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1901.  
 Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.  
 Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—  
     Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.  
 Reading-Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.  
 Books Issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.  
 Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.  
 Age for Borrowers Altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.  
 Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.  
     "     "     December, 1901, 38,759 Books, 8,500 Pamphlets.  
     "     "     per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4·35.  
     "     "     "     "     December, 1901, 34·69.  
 Issues for Home Reading—December, 1877, 1,100.  
     "     "     December, 1901, 10,050.  
     "     "     Total since 1877, 1,821,462.



## REPORT, 1901-2.

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The Committee have pleasure in submitting their Report for the past year.

The Lending Department has been open 232 days. The statistics show a slight falling off in the books issued, due to a decrease in the demand for Fiction; whilst it is gratifying to note that History and Travel, Natural History, and Biography and Correspondence show an increase of 740 issues.

The stock for home reading now numbers 19,748 vols., being an increase of 517 vols. 430 worn-outs have been replaced, and 8,106 repaired at the Library or by binders. The number of persons holding tickets has increased from 6,898 to 7,930; and the average daily issues have been 489. 791 borrowers have renewed their tickets, 354 overdate vouchers have been exchanged for new, 1213 guarantors written to, and 526 printed post cards purchased and left by borrowers to have certain books when returned reserved for them.

A number of historical and educational works suitable for Teachers have been added at the suggestion of the School Board authorities.

Worn-out books have been sent to the Asylum, Isolation Hospital, and Workhouse ; also a weekly parcel of over-date newspapers to the latter institution.

The Reference Department has been freely used by those in search of special information, the total issues to students and others being 12,777. During the year 506 books and 326 pamphlets have been added. The stock, including the Local Collection, now numbers 19,253 vols. and 8,543 pamphlets.

The Parliamentary Debates are kept complete to date. An offer from the late Agent-General for Victoria, Sir Andrew Clarke, to supply the Australian Commonwealth Debates was accepted, and a large number of parts have been received.

A Sub-Committee has been appointed to go through the various sections of the Reference Department, and recommend what works can properly be transferred from thence to the Lending Department.

A table in the Reference-Room was again furnished with suitable books and allotted to students attending the two sets of University Extension Lectures.

The old stock of Catalogues being exhausted, a Catalogue Key of the Fiction section is about to be printed, and a general Catalogue of the other sections is in preparation. The time of the Sub-Librarian, Mr. L. R. Haggerston, late of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Public Libraries, who commenced his duties on July 15th last, has since been largely occupied on this necessary work.

The Indicator, which has greatly facilitated the delivery of books to borrowers, must very soon be enlarged to include



the constant accession of new works. A selection of the more important of the accessions by gift and purchase will be found on other pages.

Through the kindness of the Press, monthly notices of additions, &c., have been published.

The necessary repairs and painting to the roof, skylights, &c., referred to in our last Report, have been carried out.

No use has been made of the rooms at the top of the building, vacated by the School of Art. Their possible use and suitability for relieving the pressure in the Men's Reading-Room by transferring to them the newspapers and their readers, has been under the consideration of the Committee. The cost of preparing the rooms for that purpose, of special superintendence, heating, &c., and the probability of objection from readers to mount so many stairs, led your Committee at their last meeting to order a report to be prepared on an alternate scheme, of covering the land available at the back by a capacious and healthy Reading-Room on the ground floor level, free from the above disadvantages.

The attendance on Sundays has been counted bi-quarterly, resulting in the following averages:—In the Men's Room, 175; in the Women's Room, 39; total, 214.

The general working and conduct of the Library under the courteous superintendence of the Librarian and his Assistants have, we have reason to believe, been thoroughly satisfactory to the public.

THOMAS S. BREESE,

*Chairman.*

On pages 8 to 18 are particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues of books for 1901-2 and from 1878, selections of books, &c., and the donors; but the following statistics show more readily the working of the Library in 1901-2:

LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 19,748 volumes; being in—

|                                         |       |          |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-------|----------|-----|
| Art, Science, and Political Economy ... | 2110  | increase | 85  |
| Biography and Correspondence ...        | 1698  | „        | 38  |
| Poetry and Drama ... ..                 | 741   | „        | 9   |
| Fiction ... ..                          | 6797  | „        | 187 |
| History and Travel ... ..               | 2511  | „        | 84  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous   | 4717  | „        | 65  |
| Law and Theology ... ..                 | 766   | „        | 23  |
| Natural History ... ..                  | 408   | „        | 26  |
| Totals ... ..                           | 19748 | „        | 517 |
| „ last year ... ..                      | 19231 | „        | 493 |

Days opened ... .. 232 last year 232

Borrowers—

Tickets issued to (new, 1180; renewed,

|                                    |      |   |      |
|------------------------------------|------|---|------|
| 791) ... ..                        | 1971 | „ | 2151 |
| Holding tickets, March 31st ... .. | 7930 | „ | 6898 |
| Using tickets, March 31st ... ..   | 3102 | „ | 3255 |

Issues, 113548 (116270 volumes); being in—

|                                         |        |           |      |
|-----------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------|
| Art, Science, and Political Economy ... | 3328   | increase  | 4    |
| Biography and Correspondence ...        | 1703   | „         | 106  |
| Poetry and Drama ... ..                 | 951    | „         | 17   |
| Fiction ... ..                          | 95295  | decrease  | 2151 |
| History and Travel ... ..               | 3594   | increase  | 440  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous   | 7121   | decrease  | 5    |
| Law and Theology ... ..                 | 711    | „         | 30   |
| Natural History ... ..                  | 845    | increase  | 194  |
| Totals ... ..                           | 113548 | decrease  | 1425 |
| „ last year ... ..                      | 114973 | increase  | 7680 |
| Average daily issues ... ..             | 489    | last year | 496  |
| „ issues to each ticket-holder          | 14     | „         | 17   |
| „ „ „ ticket-user, Mar. 31              | 37     | „         | 35   |

Issues in 1878, 26308—averaging 99 daily.

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                          |      |     |         |           |          |
|------------------------------------------|------|-----|---------|-----------|----------|
| Fines for overdue books                  | ...  | ... | £68/2/5 | last year | £71/10/8 |
| Catalogues                               | ...  | ... | £1/13/6 | „         | £6/11/0  |
| Books replaced                           | ...  | ... | 430     | last year | 305      |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders | 8106 | „   |         |           | 5638     |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                        |     |     |       |   |       |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-------|---|-------|
| Issues in all sections | ... | ... | 12777 | „ | 14612 |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-------|---|-------|

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |     |       |          |      |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-------|----------|------|
| Lending Department       | ... | ... | 19748 | increase | 517  |
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | 15127 | „        | 374  |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ... | 4126  | „        | 132  |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | 39001 | „        | 1023 |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | 37978 | „        | 4628 |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |     |      |   |     |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|------|---|-----|
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | 3152 | „ | 110 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ... | 5391 | „ | 216 |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | 8543 | „ | 326 |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | 8217 | „ | 562 |

Stock in December, 1877, about 3500 books.

## PERCENTAGES—

|                               |     |        |                          |
|-------------------------------|-----|--------|--------------------------|
| Lending Stock (19748 volumes) | ... | 17.68  | per cent. of Population. |
| Issues (113548)               | ... | 101.63 | „                        |
| Borrowers (7930)              | ... | 7.10   | „                        |
| Total Stock (39001)           | ... | 34.91  | „                        |

The Lending and Reference Departments are open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Sundays, Thursdays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Bank Holidays; and the Reading-Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Sundays (when it is from 3 to 9 p.m.), Christmas Day, and Good Friday.

*Occupations of Borrowers.*

|                             |     |     |    |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|----|
| Accountants                 | ... | ... | 2  |
| Agents and Auctioneer       | ... | ... | 8  |
| Apprentices                 | ... | ... | 16 |
| Architects and Surveyor     | ... | ... | 4  |
| Assistants                  | ... | ... | 49 |
| Attendants                  | ... | ... | 2  |
| Baker and Butchers          | ... | ... | 5  |
| Bible Woman and Deaconesses | ... | ... | 3  |
| Bookbinders                 | ... | ... | 4  |
| Bookfolders                 | ... | ... | 3  |
| Boot and Shoe Makers        | ... | ... | 38 |
| Bricklayer and Plasterer    | ... | ... | 2  |
| Brushmakers                 | ..  | ... | 2  |
| Builders                    | ... | ... | 2  |
| Cabinet Makers              | ... | ... | 2  |
| Carmen                      | ... | ... | 2  |
| Carpenters and Joiners      | ... | ... | 10 |
| Cashiers                    | ... | ... | 3  |
| Chemists                    | ... | ... | 2  |
| Choristers                  | ... | ... | 7  |
| Cigar Makers                | ... | ... | 2  |
| Clergymen and Ministers     | ... | ... | 8  |
| Clerks                      | ... | ... | 89 |
| Clickers                    | ... | ... | 4  |
| Clothier and Outfitters     | ... | ... | 3  |
| Collectors                  | ... | ... | 3  |
| Companions                  | ... | ... | 2  |
| Cutler and Ironmonger       | ... | ... | 2  |
| Cutters                     | ... | ... | 4  |
| Designer and Engraver       | ... | ... | 2  |
| Domestic Servants           | ... | ... | 8  |
| Drapers                     | ... | ... | 5  |
| Draughtsmen                 | ... | ... | 3  |
| Dressmakers                 | ... | ... | 28 |
| Electrical Engineers        | ... | ... | 4  |
| Electricians                | ... | ... | 3  |

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 Carried forward 336

|                           |     |     |     |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Brought forward           | ... | ... | 336 |
| Engineers                 | ... | ... | 5   |
| Errand and Office Boys    | ... | ... | 15  |
| Factory Hands             | ... | ... | 2   |
| Finishers                 | ... | ... | 6   |
| Fitters                   | ... | ... | 15  |
| Florist and Gardener      | ... | ... | 2   |
| Foremen and Forewoman     | ... | ... | 3   |
| Grocers                   | ... | ... | 5   |
| Hairdressers              | ... | ... | 5   |
| Housekeepers              | ... | ... | 9   |
| Housewives                | ... | ... | 32  |
| Inspectors                | ... | ... | 2   |
| Jewellers and Watchmaker  | ... | ... | 4   |
| Journalists               | ... | ... | 2   |
| Labourers                 | ... | ... | 13  |
| Lay Reader and Lecturer   | ... | ... | 2   |
| Licensed Victuallers      | ... | ... | 2   |
| Lithographers             | ... | ... | 2   |
| Machinists                | ... | ... | 17  |
| Managers and Manageresses | ... | ... | 9   |
| Manufacturers             | ... | ... | 3   |
| Matron and Superintendent | ... | ... | 2   |
| Milliners                 | ... | ... | 8   |
| Moulder and Pattern Maker | ... | ... | 2   |
| Nurses                    | ... | ... | 7   |
| Organ Builders            | ... | ... | 4   |
| Packers                   | ... | ... | 7   |
| Painters                  | ... | ... | 6   |
| Picture Frame Makers      | ... | ... | 2   |
| Police Officers           | ... | ... | 3   |
| Porters                   | ... | ... | 5   |
| Postmen                   | ... | ... | 2   |
| Printers                  | ... | ... | 18  |
| Railway Employees         | ... | ... | 3   |
| Salesmen                  | ... | ... | 3   |

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 Carried forward 563

|                         |     |       |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|
| Brought forward         | ... | 563   |
| Scholars and Students   | ... | 172   |
| Shopkeepers...          | ... | 4     |
| Silkwinders             | ... | 3     |
| Stonemasons...          | ... | 2     |
| Surgeons                | ... | 5     |
| Tailors and Tailoresses | ... | 30    |
| Teachers                | ... | 69    |
|                         |     | <hr/> |
| Carried forward         |     | 848   |

|                        |     |       |
|------------------------|-----|-------|
| Brought forward        | ... | 848   |
| Telephonist and Typist | ... | 2     |
| Travellers             | ... | 8     |
| Warehousemen           | ... | 5     |
| Weavers                | ... | 4     |
| Whitesmiths            | ... | 3     |
| Miscellaneous          | ... | 28    |
| Not stated             | ... | 282   |
|                        |     | <hr/> |
| Total                  |     | 1180  |

### *Ages of Borrowers.*

|                       |      | Borrowers from<br>Dec. 1, 1877, to<br>May 31, 1897. |     | New Borrowers<br>in 1901-2. |     | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31, 1897. |  |
|-----------------------|------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|--|
| Above 13 and under 20 | ...  | 8884                                                | ... | 604                         | ... | 3290                                |  |
| " 20                  | " 25 | 2537                                                | ... | 164                         | ... | 1307                                |  |
| " 25                  | " 30 | 1736                                                | ... | 111                         | ... | 928                                 |  |
| " 30                  | " 35 | 1223                                                | ... | 93                          | ... | 683                                 |  |
| " 35                  | " 40 | 902                                                 | ... | 49                          | ... | 459                                 |  |
| " 40                  | " 45 | 635                                                 | ... | 34                          | ... | 376                                 |  |
| " 45                  | " 50 | 423                                                 | ... | 29                          | ... | 240                                 |  |
| " 50                  | " 55 | 353                                                 | ... | 15                          | ... | 185                                 |  |
| " 55                  | " 60 | 195                                                 | ... | 10                          | ... | 112                                 |  |
| " 60                  | ...  | 437                                                 | ... | 28                          | ... | 274                                 |  |
| Not stated            | ...  | 1250                                                | ... | 43                          | ... | 842                                 |  |
|                       |      | <hr/>                                               |     | <hr/>                       |     | <hr/>                               |  |
| Totals...             | ...  | 18575                                               |     | 1180                        |     | 8702                                |  |

*Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.*

| Years.    | Tickets Issued. |       | New Borrowers. |      |                |             | Borrowers since May 31, 1897. |          |
|-----------|-----------------|-------|----------------|------|----------------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| 1897-8    | ...             | 3546  | ...            | 3529 | (1788 females, | 1741 males) | ...                           | 3529     |
| 1898-9    | ...             | 1609  | ...            | 1360 | ( 645          | „ 715       | „ )                           | ... 4889 |
| 1899-1900 |                 | 1928  | ...            | 1295 | ( 603          | „ 692       | „ )                           | ... 6184 |
| 1900-01   | ...             | 2151  | ...            | 1338 | ( 625          | „ 713       | „ )                           | ... 7522 |
| 1901-2    | ...             | 1971  | ...            | 1180 | ( 538          | „ 642       | „ )                           | ... 8702 |
| Totals    |                 | 11205 | ...            | 8702 | 4199           | 4503        |                               |          |

The Borrowers to May 31, 1897, from December 1, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males—to whom had been issued 59394 cards.

*Wards wherein Borrowers Resided*

|                   | Population<br>in 1901. | New Borrowers<br>in 1901-2. |     | Borrowers since<br>May 31, 1897. |
|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| 1. Conisford ...  | 5540 ...               | ...                         | 65  | 573                              |
| 2. Ber Street ... | 8100 ...               | ...                         | 41  | 364                              |
| 3. Mancroft ...   | 3960 ...               | ...                         | 47  | 454                              |
| 4. Westwick ...   | 6385 ...               | ...                         | 82  | 690                              |
| 5. Coslany ...    | 6580 ...               | ...                         | 59  | 385                              |
| 6. Fye Bridge ... | 7455 ...               | ...                         | 57  | 373                              |
| 7. Thorpe ...     | 5950 ...               | ...                         | 80  | 496                              |
| 8. Lakenham ...   | 6001 ...               | ...                         | 38  | 363                              |
| 9. Town Close ... | 6341 ...               | ...                         | 79  | 486                              |
| 10. Eaton ...     | 11387 ...              | ...                         | 167 | 1229                             |
| 11. Nelson ...    | 6805 ...               | ...                         | 80  | 721                              |
| 12. Earlham ...   | 6341 ...               | ...                         | 99  | 779                              |
| 13. Heigham ...   | 6650 ...               | ...                         | 42  | 330                              |
| 14. Wensum ...    | 6230 ...               | ...                         | 47  | 355                              |
| 15. Catton ...    | 9171 ...               | ...                         | 95  | 556                              |
| 16. Mousehold ... | 8832 ...               | ...                         | 102 | 548                              |
| Totals ...        | 111728                 | 1180                        |     | 8702                             |

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1074; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.



*Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1901-2.*

| Months,<br>1901-2. | Days<br>open. | Art,<br>Science,<br>and<br>Political<br>Economy. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspondence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and<br>Miscellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Natural<br>History. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...          | 20            | 259                                              | 163                                 | 88                      | 8936     | 299                       | 678                                             | 79                   | 84                  | 10586              | 529                         |
| May ...            | 21            | 287                                              | 155                                 | 90                      | 8375     | 300                       | 641                                             | 67                   | 94                  | 10009              | 477                         |
| June ...           | 21            | 242                                              | 176                                 | 52                      | 8164     | 280                       | 510                                             | 47                   | 63                  | 9534               | 454                         |
| July ...           | 23            | 210                                              | 148                                 | 94                      | 7535     | 303                       | 508                                             | 48                   | 68                  | 8914               | 388                         |
| August ...         | ...           | ...                                              | ...                                 | ...                     | ...      | ...                       | ...                                             | ...                  | ...                 | ...                | ...                         |
| September ...      | 21            | 262                                              | 152                                 | 94                      | 8086     | 344                       | 564                                             | 52                   | 78                  | 9632               | 459                         |
| October ...        | 22            | 321                                              | 144                                 | 101                     | 8888     | 316                       | 635                                             | 67                   | 69                  | 10541              | 479                         |
| November ...       | 22            | 361                                              | 163                                 | 99                      | 9623     | 379                       | 747                                             | 73                   | 70                  | 11515              | 523                         |
| December ...       | 20            | 302                                              | 158                                 | 88                      | 8334     | 329                       | 733                                             | 64                   | 62                  | 10050              | 503                         |
| January ...        | 22            | 361                                              | 161                                 | 83                      | 9511     | 411                       | 743                                             | 88                   | 81                  | 11439              | 520                         |
| February ...       | 20            | 391                                              | 149                                 | 91                      | 8915     | 314                       | 697                                             | 63                   | 86                  | 10706              | 535                         |
| March ...          | 20            | 332                                              | 154                                 | 71                      | 8928     | 319                       | 665                                             | 63                   | 90                  | 10622              | 531                         |
| Totals             | 232           | 3328                                             | 1703                                | 951                     | 95295    | 3594                      | 7121                                            | 711                  | 845                 | 113548             | 489                         |
| Percentages '01-2  | ...           | 2.93                                             | 1.50                                | 0.85                    | 83.92    | 3.16                      | 6.27                                            | 0.63                 | 0.74                | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages '00-1  | ...           | 2.89                                             | 1.39                                | 0.81                    | 84.76    | 2.74                      | 6.20                                            | 0.64                 | 0.57                | ...                | ...                         |

*Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1901-2.*

| Years.                | Days open. | Art, Science, and Political Economy. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneus. | Law and Theology. | Natural History. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ..       | 1275       |                                      |                               |                   | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                 | 1675              | 2279             | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ...   | 1265       | 4790                                 | 7007                          | 2406              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                 | 1381              | 3069             | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...  | 1170       | 13047                                | 7589                          | 3065              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                 | 2282              | 4455             | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 ...            | 232        |                                      | 1298                          | 726               | 68678    | 3261                | 8918                                  | 465               | 705              | 86355         | 372                   |
| 1894-5 ...            | 235        | 2555                                 | 1099                          | 640               | 75413    | 2676                | 9207                                  | 577               | 563              | 92730         | 395                   |
| 1895-6 ...            | 236        | 2354                                 | 1365                          | 649               | 73650    | 3387                | 8041                                  | 468               | 526              | 90440         | 382                   |
| 1896-7 ...            | 233        | 2190                                 | 1002                          | 588               | 75555    | 2882                | 6655                                  | 487               | 516              | 89875         | 386                   |
| 1897-8 (to May 31)    | 46         | 423                                  | 260                           | 116               | 15320    | 662                 | 1408                                  | 121               | 134              | 18444         | 401                   |
| To May 31, 1897       | 4692       | 36324                                | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                | 7456              | 12247            | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13) | 137        | 1719                                 | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                | 3939                                  | 343               | 286              | 55139         | 402                   |
| 1898-9 ...            | 258        | 3286                                 | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                  | 666               | 590              | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ...         | 235        | 2931                                 | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                  | 777               | 563              | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ...           | 232        | 3324                                 | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                  | 741               | 651              | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ...            | 232        | 3328                                 | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                  | 711               | 845              | 113548        | 489                   |
| Totals ...            | 5786       | 50912                                | 34032                         | 16315             | 1417206  | 72056               | 205065                                | 10694             | 15182            | 1821462       | 315.                  |
| Percentages ...       | ...        | 2.80                                 | 1.87                          | 0.90              | 77.81    | 3.95                | 11.26                                 | 0.58              | 0.83             | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26 instead of January 1; and in 1899 it closed March 31 instead of March 25. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13, 1897. See note on page 13

*Monthly Issues of Books from 1878 to 1901-2.*

| Years.                | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. | April. | May.  | June.  | July.  | Aug.   | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Totals. |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1878 to *1882 ..      | 13154  | 13986  | 15145  | 14828  | 14455 | 13359  | 14392  | 6327   | 6774   | 11713  | 13995  | 14144  | 152272  |
| 1883 to 1887-8 ..     | 35193  | 35006  | 38062  | 27961  | 28962 | 26590  | 26622  | 8981   | 27101  | 31064  | 30725  | 28725  | 344992  |
| 1888 9 to 1892-3 ..   | 39522  | 39113  | 36408  | 37908  | ...   | 38899  | 41689  | 41867  | 39571  | 45067  | 42453  | 42748  | 445305  |
| 1893-4 ..             | 7845   | 6706   | 6657   | 7353   | ...   | 7572   | 8182   | 8027   | 7997   | 9383   | 8316   | 8317   | 86355   |
| 1894-5 ..             | 8453   | 8060   | 8255   | 7636   | ...   | 7614   | 8307   | 8306   | 8109   | 9218   | 8687   | 10105  | 92730   |
| 1895-6 ..             | 8494   | 8117   | 7526   | 7563   | ...   | 7234   | 7881   | 8648   | 7968   | 9007   | 8865   | 9137   | 90440   |
| 1896-7 ..             | 8214   | 8494   | 7648   | 7541   | ...   | 7706   | 8174   | 8113   | 7527   | 8943   | 8297   | 9218   | 89875   |
| 1897-8 (to May 31)    | 10215  | 8229   | ...    | ...    | ...   | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | 18444   |
| To May 31, 1897..     | 125532 | 122136 | 106423 | 109075 | 15308 | 102900 | 117010 | 119681 | 114041 | 129965 | 125610 | 132732 | 1320413 |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13) | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...   | 4031   | 8186   | 8515   | 7905   | 9530   | 9089   | 7883   | 55139   |
| 1898-9 ..             | 8412   | 8734   | 8231   | 8419   | 8033  | 8606   | 9380   | 8929   | 8646   | 10008  | 9607   | 12091  | 110096  |
| 1899-1900 ..          | 10428  | 10000  | 8845   | 8766   | ...   | 9257   | 9536   | 9662   | 8585   | 10639  | 10052  | 11473  | 107293  |
| 1900-01 ..            | 9782   | 10062  | 9623   | 9243   | ...   | 10014  | 11345  | 10752  | 10099  | 11274  | 10714  | 12035  | 114973  |
| 1901-2 ..             | 10586  | 10009  | 9534   | 8914   | ...   | 9632   | 10541  | 11515  | 10050  | 11439  | 10706  | 10622  | 113548  |
| Totals ..             | 165740 | 160941 | 142656 | 144417 | 23341 | 144470 | 165998 | 169054 | 159326 | 182905 | 175778 | 186836 | 1821462 |
| Percentages ...       | 9.10   | 8.84   | 7.83   | 7.93   | 1.28  | 7.93   | 9.11   | 9.28   | 8.75   | 10.04  | 9.65   | 10.26  | ...     |

\* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven, weeks extra. See note on page 12.

*A Selection from the Additions to the Library during  
1901-2.*

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Adams's European History. Allen's County and Town in England; also Colin Clout's Calendar. Arnold's Light of the World. Audsley's Guide to Illuminating and Missal Painting. Ball's The Earth's Beginning. Beauties of Handel: 100 Songs, &c. Bowen's Froebel and Education by Self-Activity. Bullock's Matches that Strike (Anecdotes). Bülow's Child and Child Nature. Clifford's Typical Christian Leaders. Concise Knowledge Library: Astronomy, History of World, and Natural History. Conway's Alps from End to End. Cooke's Freaks and Marvels of Plant Life. Cumming's Public House Reform. Dreyfus's Five Years of My Life. Early Chroniclers of Europe: England and France. English and Scottish History by Contemporary Writers. Escott's Platform, Press, Politics, and Play. Evan's Canadian Contingents and Imperialism. Fabre's Insect Life. Freeman's General Sketch of European History. Froebel's Education of Man. Goodman's Best Tour in Norway. Guimps's Pestalozzi, His Life and Work. Highways and Byways of Devon and Cornwall, Lake District, &c. Hillegas's With the Boer Forces. Histories of Russian and Sanskrit Literature. Jeffery's Century of Our Sea Story. Kingsley's West African Studies. Kropotkin's Fields, Factories, and Workshops. Leighton's Life History of British Serpents. Library of Useful Stories (on Subjects of Common Interest), 33 vols. Life History of the Last of the Great Scouts ("Buffalo Bill"). Mackay's Lost Beauties of the English Language. Mackinder's Britain and the British Seas. Macmillan's Clock of Nature. Maeterlinck's Life of the Bee. Marsden's To Outcast Siberian Lepers. Maude's Tolstoi and His Problems. Maxwell's With the "Ophir" Round the Empire. Methods of Teaching History, by A. D. White and others. Mivart's Types of Animal Life. Morgan's Psychology for Teachers. Nansen's Eskimo Life. Neatby's History of the Plymouth Brethren. O'Rell's Her Royal Highness Woman. Ormerod's Insects Injurious to Orchard and Bush Fruits. Owen's Staffordshire Potter (on Trade Unionism). Pianoforte and Vocal Music, 20 vols. Pierson's George Müller of Bristol. Reid's Practical Sanitation. Rowntree and Sherwell's British Gothenburg Experiments, &c. Ruskin, His Life and Teaching. Scott's People

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Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board of Trade and Trade Marks Journals, Early English Text and Palæontographical Societies' Publications, Historical Manuscripts Commission's Reports, Indexes to Periodical Literature, New English and other Dictionaries, Parliamentary Debates, and Public General Acts; also Proceedings and Reports of the British Association, Co-operative Congress, Egypt Exploration Fund, Royal Colonial Institute, Royal Geographical Society, and Smithsonian Institution. The following are periodically bound:—Daylight, Eastern Daily Press, Norfolk Daily Standard, Norwich Mercury, Times (daily edition, and Index thereto purchased as published), the leading Illustrated Magazines and Newspapers, and Literary, Professional, and Religious Journals.

The Trustees of the British Museum have kindly forwarded Catalogues of African Plants, collected by F. Welwitsch: Dicotyledons, part 4, and vol. 2, part 2, Cryptogamia; Hebrew and Samaritan MSS., part 1; Mesozoic Plants: Jurassic Flora, part 1, Yorkshire Coast: the Schreiber Collection of Playing Cards; Sculpture, Greek and Roman Antiquities, vol. 2; and of the Printed Books, 8 parts; also Description of Collection of Ancient Marbles, with Engravings, parts 2-11; Facsimiles of Biblical MSS.; Hand-List of Genera and Species of Birds, vol. 2; and Illustrations of the Botany of Captain Cook's Voyage: Australian Plants, part 2.



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## ANNUALLY.

†Australian Year-Book  
Baptist Handbook  
Cambridge University Calendar  
Catholic Year Bk. and Directory  
Church of England Year-Book  
Civil Service Year-Book  
Congregational Year-Book  
Crockford's Clerical Directory  
†Durham University Calendar  
Gardening Year-Book  
Hazell's Annual  
Jewish Year-Book  
London University Calendar  
Municipal Year-Book  
Oxford University Calendar  
Statesman's Year-Book  
†University Corres. Coll. Calendar  
Year's Art

## QUARTERLY.

Edinburgh Review  
\*Englishwoman's Review  
Journal of Board of Agriculture  
Navy List  
Quarterly Review

## MONTHLY.

Army List  
Art Journal  
Art Record  
Atlantic Monthly  
Blackwood's Edinburgh Magaz.  
†Building Society's Gazette  
†Canadian Patent Office Record  
\*Cassell's Fam. Mag. (1 in Men's)  
Cassier's Magazine  
\*Century Illustrated  
\*Chambers's Journal (1 in Men's)  
\*†Child's Guardian  
\*†Commonwealth  
\*†Concord (1 in Men's)  
Contemporary Review  
Cornhill Magazine  
†Cottager and Artisan  
†Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Jour.  
†Educational Times  
\*English Illustrated Magazine  
\*†Financial Reformer (1 in Men's)  
†Fire and Water

## MONTHLY (continued).

Fortnightly Review  
\*†Free Life (1 in Men's)  
†Free Russia  
Gentleman's Magazine  
\*Girl's Own Paper  
\*†Glad Tidings (1 in Men's)  
Good Words  
\*†Goodwill  
\*Harper's Magazine  
†Herald of Peace  
†Herald of the Golden Age  
\*Household Words  
Idler  
†Insurance and Banking Review  
†Inventors' Review  
†Jewish Missionary Intelligence  
†Journal of Professional  
†Labour Gazette [Musicians  
\*Ladies' League Gazette  
Leisure Hour  
Longman's Magazine  
Macmillan's Magazine  
Magazine of Art  
\*†Mercy and Truth  
Monthly Review  
\*†Musical Herald, Tonic Sol-Fa  
\*†Musical Times [Rep.  
National Review  
†Nature Notes  
Nineteenth Century  
†Oddfellows' Magazine  
†Our Western Empire  
†Personal Rights Journal  
†Plumber and Decorator  
†Positivist  
\*†Primrose League Gazette  
Quiver  
Review of Reviews  
Science Gossip  
\*Scribner's Magazine  
†State Correspondent  
Strand Magazine  
\*Sunday at Home  
Sunday Magazine  
Temple Bar  
†Tract Magazine  
†University Correspondent  
†Vegetarian Messenger  
Westminster Review

MONTHLY (*continued*).

White Ribbon  
Woodworker  
Young Oxford  
Zoologist  
†Zoophilist

## TRI-WEEKLY.

Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart

## BI-WEEKLY.

\*†Norwich Mercury (1 in Men's)  
1 given

## WEEKLY.

Army and Navy Gazette  
Athenaeum  
Australasian  
†Board of Trade Journal  
Boot and Shoe Trades Journal  
†Boston Independent  
Boy's Own Paper  
Builder  
Building News  
Cage Birds  
†Canadian Gazette  
Cassell's Saturday Journal  
†Catholic Times  
\*†Christian Endeavour (1 in Men's)  
†Christian Life and Unitarian Her.  
\*†Christian World (2 in Men's) 1 given  
†Church Review  
Church Times  
†Civil Service Aspirant  
†Civil Service Candidate  
\*†Civil Service Competitor (1 Men's)  
†Civil Service Gazette  
†Colliery Guardian  
\*†Co-operative News (1 in Men's)  
†Councillor and Guardian  
\*†Cromer and North Walsham Post  
\*†Daylight (2 in Men's) 1 given  
†Draper's Record  
\*†Eastern Weekly Press  
†Electrical Investments  
Electrician  
Engineer  
Engineering  
†English Churchman  
English Mechanic  
Era  
\*Family Herald and Supplement  
Feathered World  
Field  
Gardeners' Magazine  
†Gardening World  
\*Graphic (1 in men's)

WEEKLY (*continued*).

Great Thoughts  
Grocer  
†Guardian  
\*†Illus. London News (1 in Men's)  
†Illus. Official Journal (Patents)  
Invention  
Investors' Review  
\*†Ipswich Journal  
†Jewish Chronicle  
†Journal of Society of Arts  
Judy  
\*Lady's Pictorial  
Land and Water  
†Literary World  
†Local Government Chronicle  
†Local Government Journal  
†Lowestoft Journal  
†Lowestoft Standard  
†Lynn News and County Press  
Mechanical World  
\*†Midland Counties Herald  
Nature  
Newcastle Chronicle  
\*†Norfolk Chron. (1 Men's), 1 giv.  
\*†Norfolk News (1 Men's), 1 giv.  
\*†Norfolk Weekly Standard and  
Argus (1 in Men's), 1 given  
Notes and Queries  
†Patents  
\*†People's Weekly Journal  
Phonetic Journal  
†Present Truth  
Public Health Engineer  
Public Opinion  
\*Punch (1 in Men's)  
\*Queen  
Saturday Review  
†School Board Chronicle  
\*School Guardian  
Schoolmaster  
\*Schoolmistress  
Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List  
†Shoe and Leather Record  
\*Spare Moments  
Speaker  
Spectator  
Sunday Sun  
†Tablet  
†Tailor and Cutter  
\*†Temperance Chronicle  
Timber Trades Journal  
\*Tit Bits  
Trade Marks Journal  
Truth  
†University Correspondent



WEEKLY (*continued*).

Volunteer Service Gazette  
Westminster Budget  
\*† Worcester Herald  
Work  
† Yarmouth Independent  
\* Young Ladies' Journal

## DAILY.

Birmingham Post  
Chronicle  
East Anglian Times  
\*† Eastern Daily Press (1 in Men's,  
1 also in Lobby), 1 given

DAILY (*continued*).

† Eastern Evening News (1 also  
Lobby), 1 given  
Echo (in Lobby)  
Manchester Guardian  
News  
Norfolk Standard (in Lobby)  
Pall Mall Gazette  
\* Standard (1 in Men's)  
Star (in Lobby)  
\* Telegraph (1 in Men's)  
† Times, 1 given  
Westminster Gazette  
Yorkshire Post

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

Bradshaw, and Continental in  
season  
† Cook's Excursionist  
† Great Eastern  
† Great Eastern Continental  
† Great Northern  
† Great Western  
† London and North Western

† London and South Western  
† London, Brighton, and South  
Coast  
† London, Chatham, and Dover  
† Midland  
† Midland & Gt. Northern Joint  
† Norwich—Fletcher's and  
† South Eastern [Jarrold's]

*(The Time Tables, except Bradshaw's and Cook's, are placed in the Lobby.)*

## KELLY'S DIRECTORIES.

Beds, Hunts, and Northampton-  
shire  
Berks, Bucks, and Oxon  
Birmingham, Staffs, Warwickshire,  
and Worcestershire  
Cams, Norfolk, and Suffolk  
Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rut-  
land, and Notts  
Devonshire and Cornwall  
Essex, Herts, and Middlesex  
Hants, Wilts, and Dorsetshire  
Kent, Surrey, and Sussex

Lancashire, except Liverpool  
and Manchester; with Gore's  
Liverpool and Suburbs, and  
Slater's Manchester, Salford,  
and Suburban  
Lincolnshire, with Hull and  
Neighbourhood  
London  
London Suburban  
Somersetshire and Gloucester-  
shire, with Bristol  
Yorks (West Riding; and North  
and East Ridings, with York)

A B C Hotel Guide for Travellers; and Leigh's List of English Clubs  
Advertiser's A B C; and Practical Advertising  
Atlantic Cable Directory and Code Book; Chamber's Trade Directory  
Business Directory of London and Provincial and Foreign Trade Guide  
Chambers's (Ed. by E. Preston) and Dougal & Co.'s Indexes to Next of Kin  
Commercial Directory of the United Kingdom and the Continent  
Directories—Contractors', Directors', Foresters', and Medical  
Eastern Counties Business and International Mercantile Directories  
Export Merchant Shippers and Manufacturers' Trade Directory  
Kelly's Directory of Merchants, Manufacturers and Shippers  
Kelly's Handbook to the Titled, Landed, and Official Classes  
Lodge's Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire  
Macdonald's English Trade Directory and Gazetteer  
Patents for Inventions—Abridgments of Specifications  
Perry's Manufacturers and Merchants' Directory and Mercantile Guide  
Stubbs's Directory of Great Britain and the Continent

## FREE LIBRARY

*Revenue Account for the Year***Expenditure.**

|                                                                                             | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| To Salaries—Librarian ... ..                                                                | 150 | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Sub-Librarian ... ..                                                                        | 71  | 8  | 5  |      |    |    |
| Assistants ... ..                                                                           | 304 | 4  | 9  |      |    |    |
| Charwoman ... ..                                                                            | 20  | 16 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                             |     |    |    | 546  | 9  | 2  |
| Loan—Interest ... ..                                                                        | 38  | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Instalments... ..                                                                           | 52  | 13 | 1  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                             |     |    |    | 90   | 13 | 1  |
| Insurance ... ..                                                                            | 9   | 16 | 6  |      |    |    |
| Books Purchased ... ..                                                                      | 193 | 17 | 11 |      |    |    |
| Binding Books ... ..                                                                        | 80  | 16 | 1  |      |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals ... ..                                                           | 104 | 9  | 4  |      |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery ... ..                                                              | 26  | 8  | 8  |      |    |    |
| Alterations, Painting, Distempering, &c. ... ..                                             | 103 | 18 | 11 |      |    |    |
| Repairs to Staircase ... ..                                                                 | 30  | 14 | 5  |      |    |    |
| General Repairs ... ..                                                                      | 21  | 8  | 1  |      |    |    |
| Electric Light ... ..                                                                       | 89  | 2  | 11 |      |    |    |
| Gas, Water, and Fuel ... ..                                                                 | 25  | 16 | 9  |      |    |    |
| Expenses of Candidates for Sub-Librarianship ... ..                                         | 10  | 11 | 10 |      |    |    |
| Borrowers' Tickets and Date Slides ... ..                                                   | 10  | 1  | 9  |      |    |    |
| Attendance of Librarian at Annual Meeting<br>of Library Association at Plymouth, &c. ... .. | 5   | 5  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Winding Clocks ... ..                                                                       | 0   | 10 | 6  |      |    |    |
| Librarian's Disbursements ... ..                                                            | 10  | 7  | 11 |      |    |    |
|                                                                                             |     |    |    | 723  | 6  | 7  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure                                                |     |    |    | 142  | 18 | 3  |
|                                                                                             |     |    |    | 1503 | 7  | 1  |

*Fines Account for the Year*

|                                                             | £  | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection | 29 | 19 | 1  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure ...            | 38 | 3  | 4  |
|                                                             | 68 | 2  | 5  |

## BALANCE

**Liabilities.**

|                                                           | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| To Sundry Creditors ... ..                                |     |    |    | 153  | 19 | 6  |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1901 ... ..                  | 782 | 13 | 7  |      |    |    |
| Do. for the current year ... ..                           | 142 | 18 | 3  |      |    |    |
|                                                           |     |    |    | 925  | 11 | 10 |
| Fines Account—Revenue Balance, 31st March,<br>1901 ... .. | 30  | 14 | 4  |      |    |    |
| Do. for the current year ... ..                           | 38  | 3  | 4  |      |    |    |
|                                                           |     |    |    | 68   | 17 | 8  |
|                                                           |     |    |    | 1148 | 9  | 0  |



## FUND.

*ended 31st March, 1902.*

## Income.

|                                                                                                                                               | £     | s. | d. | £  | s.   | d.  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|----|------|-----|
| By Rent ... ..                                                                                                                                |       |    |    | 23 | 14   | 0   |
| Sale of Catalogues ... ..                                                                                                                     | 1     | 13 | 6  |    |      |     |
| Borrowers' Tickets ... ..                                                                                                                     | 9     | 2  | 7  |    |      |     |
| Papers ... ..                                                                                                                                 | 2     | 19 | 9  |    |      |     |
| Post Cards, &c. ... ..                                                                                                                        | 3     | 16 | 4  |    |      |     |
| Lavatory ... ..                                                                                                                               | 0     | 15 | 11 |    |      |     |
|                                                                                                                                               | <hr/> |    |    |    | 18   | 8 1 |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1901, included in Precept dated 18th December, 1900 ... ..                                   | 336   | 5  | 0  |    |      |     |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1901, included in Precept dated 23rd July, 1901 ... .. | 750   | 0  | 0  |    |      |     |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1902, included in Precept dated 19th December, 1901 ... ..                                | 375   | 0  | 0  |    |      |     |
|                                                                                                                                               | <hr/> |    |    |    | 1461 | 5 0 |

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*ended 31st March, 1902.*

|                 | £     | s. | d. |
|-----------------|-------|----|----|
| By Fines ... .. | 68    | 2  | 5  |
|                 | <hr/> |    |    |
|                 | 68    | 2  | 5  |

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## SHEET—REVENUE ACCOUNT.

## Assets.

|                               | £     | s. | d. | £   | s.  | d.   |
|-------------------------------|-------|----|----|-----|-----|------|
| By Sundry Debtors ... ..      |       |    |    | 386 | 16  | 6    |
| Cash in hand—Treasurer ... .. | 751   | 12 | 6  |     |     |      |
| „ —Librarian ... ..           | 10    | 0  | 0  |     |     |      |
|                               | <hr/> |    |    |     | 761 | 12 6 |

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## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by Law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

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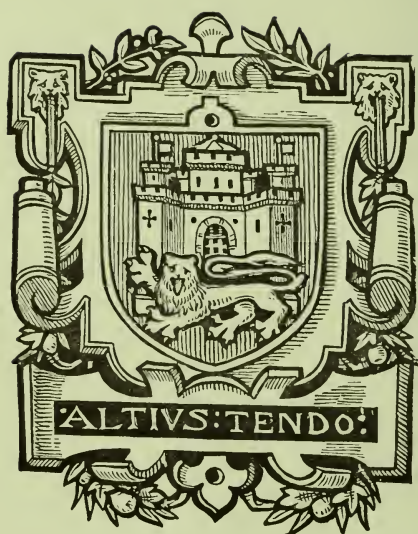
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TO THE

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Committee Meetings at the Library, at 4 p.m., on April 8th, July 8th,  
and October 14th, 1903; and January 13th, 1904.

Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.



## REPORT, 1902—3.

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YOUR Committee have pleasure in submitting their Report for the past year.

The Lending Department has been open 237 days. The issues have numbered 112,112 (114,542 volumes)—Art, Science, and Political Economy showing an increase, Fiction and other subjects a decrease; the average daily issues being 473 against 489 last year. 391 books have been transferred from the Reference to the Lending Department, the stock now numbering 20,858 volumes, being an increase since last report of 1110 volumes. 115 books have been replaced, and 8776 repaired at the Library or by binders.

The capacity of the Indicator has been extended to show 6000 additional volumes.

Last August so many persons were holding tickets but not using them, that it was felt necessary to begin a new Register of Borrowers, in which 4,462 are already enrolled.

Constant use has been made of the Reference Department by students and others requiring special information.

The additions during the year number 609 volumes and 174 to the Local Collection, in all 783 volumes and 216 pamphlets. The purchases include 170 volumes of the Camden

Society's publications. The present stock numbers 19,645 volumes and 8,759 pamphlets.

The special and occasional loans from this department authorised by the Council in September last have been 156 books and 37 pamphlets to 79 persons in 160 issues.

The Parliamentary Debates are complete to date. By further parts received from the Agent-General for Victoria the Debates of the First Session of the Australian Commonwealth are now completed.

The students attending the University Extension Lectures have been provided with suitable books and accommodation in the Reference-Room.

The printing of the Catalogues referred to in our last Report have been delayed with a view to careful revision, and to include the numerous additions by purchase and the transfer from one department to another. The Catalogue Key of the Fiction Section is now ready for final submission to the Book Committee. The General Lending Catalogue is in an advanced stage, and we hope to print it during the summer; after which the two sections of the Reference Catalogue not yet in print will be completed, and the Catalogue of the Local Collection further proceeded with.

Your committee purpose offering some duplicates from the Local Collection to the Otis Library in Norwich (Conn.)

Discarded books have been sent to the City Asylum and Workhouse, and about 100 overdate newspapers weekly to the latter institution.

The whole of the basement of the building has been thoroughly cleaned and limewashed, and improved arrangements have been made for the general cleanliness of the Library.

The crowded state of the Reading-Room compels your committee to keep in mind the necessity of further extension over the land kept vacant for this purpose as soon as circumstances permit, towards the cost of which the balance in hand is intended to be devoted.

Gifts of books have been received from the British Museum, the Smithsonian Institution, J. H. Gurney, Esq., Messrs. Fosters, Burroughes, and Calvert, and other donors as on page 18.

Notices of the principal additions have been published monthly through the kindness of the press.

The bi-quarterly counting of the attendance on Sundays resulted as follows :—In the men's room an average of 191 ; in the women's room 44 ; total 235.

The work of the Library has proceeded smoothly during the year, and we believe the efforts of the Librarian and his staff to serve the public have given satisfaction.

THOMAS S. BREESE, *Chairman.*

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The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1902-3; but further particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues and selections of books, &c., and the donors, may be found on pages 8 to 18.

#### LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 20858 volumes; being in—

|                                       |     |       |          |      |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-------|----------|------|
| Art, Science, and Political Economy   | ... | 2252  | increase | 142  |
| Biography and Correspondence          | ... | 1838  | „        | 140  |
| Poetry and Drama                      | ... | 786   | „        | 45   |
| Fiction                               | ... | 7217  | „        | 420  |
| History and Travel                    | ... | 2639  | „        | 128  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous |     | 4848  | „        | 131  |
| Law and Theology                      | ... | 833   | „        | 67   |
| Natural History                       | ... | 445   | „        | 37   |
|                                       |     |       |          | „    |
| Totals                                | ... | 20858 | „        | 1110 |
| „ last year                           | ... | 19748 | „        | 517  |

Borrowers—

|                                     |     |      |   |      |
|-------------------------------------|-----|------|---|------|
| Tickets issued April to July, 1902  | }   |      | „ | 1971 |
| (new 243, renewed 226)              |     |      |   |      |
| Ditto, August, 1902, to March, 1903 |     |      |   |      |
| (new 949, renewed 3513)             |     | 4462 |   |      |
| Holding Tickets, July 31            | ... | 8108 | „ | —    |
| Ditto, March 31                     | ... | 4402 | „ | 7930 |
| Using tickets, July 31              | ... | 2369 | „ | 2289 |
| Ditto, March 31                     | ... | 3179 | „ | 3102 |

Issues, 112112 (114542 volumes); being in—

|                                       |     |        |          |      |
|---------------------------------------|-----|--------|----------|------|
| Art, Science, and Political Economy   | ... | 3580   | increase | 252  |
| Biography and Correspondence          | ... | 1565   | decrease | 138  |
| Poetry and Drama                      | ... | 871    | „        | 80   |
| Fiction                               | ... | 94785  | „        | 510  |
| History and Travel                    | ... | 3422   | „        | 172  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous |     | 6450   | „        | 671  |
| Law and Theology                      | ... | 704    | „        | 7    |
| Natural History                       | ... | 735    | „        | 110  |
|                                       |     |        |          | „    |
| Totals                                | ... | 112112 | „        | 1436 |
| „ last year                           | ... | 113548 | „        | 1425 |



LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                           |      |     |         |               |           |
|-------------------------------------------|------|-----|---------|---------------|-----------|
| Average daily issues                      | ...  | ... | ...     | 473 last year | 489       |
| „ issues to ticket-holder, Mar. 31        | 17   | „   | 14      |               |           |
| „ „ „ ticket-user, Mar. 31                | 35   | „   | 37      |               |           |
| Issues in 1878, 26308—averaging 99 daily. |      |     |         |               |           |
| Days opened                               | ...  | ... | ...     | 237 last year | 232       |
| Fines for overdue books                   | ...  | ... | £65/0/9 | last year     | £68/2/5   |
| Catalogues                                | ...  | ... | ...     | nil           | „ £1/13/6 |
| Books replaced                            | ...  | ... | ...     | 115 last year | 430       |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders  | 8776 | „   | 8106    |               |           |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                        |     |     |     |       |         |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|---------|
| Issues in all sections | ... | ... | ... | 13948 | „ 12777 |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|---------|

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |     |     |        |               |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------|---------------|
| Lending Department       | ... | ... | ... | 20858  | increase 1110 |
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | ... | 15345* | „ 218         |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ..  | ... | 4300   | „ 174         |
| <hr/>                    |     |     |     |        |               |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | ... | 40503  | „ 1502        |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | ... | 39001  | „ 1023        |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |     |     |      |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | ... | 3260 | „ 108 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ... | ... | 5499 | „ 108 |
| <hr/>                    |     |     |     |      |       |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | ... | 8759 | „ 216 |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | ... | 8543 | „ 326 |

Stock in December, 1877, about 3500 books.

## PERCENTAGES—

|                                |                                |       |     |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|-----|
| Lending Stock (20858 volumes)  | 18.43 per cent. of Population. |       |     |
| Issues (112112)                | ...                            | 99.06 | „ „ |
| Ticket-holders, Mar. 31 (4402) | 3.89                           | „     | „   |
| Total Stock (40503)            | ...                            | 35.79 | „ „ |

\* 15736 less 391 transferred to Lending Department, leaving a net increase of 218.

*Occupations of Borrowers.*

|                           |     |     |                          |     |     |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| Accountants...            | ... | 2   | Brought forward          | 370 |     |
| Agents                    | ... | 6   | Housekeepers             | ... | 5   |
| Apprentices               | ... | 15  | Inland Revenue Officers  |     |     |
| Assistants                | ... | 45  | Inspectors               | ... | 3   |
| Bakers                    | ... | 7   | Jewellers                | ... | 2   |
| Barmaids                  | ... | 2   | Journalists and Reader   |     | 5   |
| Book Binders              | ... | 4   | Labourers                | ... | 18  |
| Book Folders              | ... | 2   | Lasters                  | ... | 3   |
| Boot and Shoe Makers      |     | 12  | Lithographic Artists...  |     | 2   |
| Boxmakers                 | ... | 3   | Machinists               | ... | 9   |
| Bricklayers               | ... | 2   | Managers                 | ... | 2   |
| Brushmakers               | ... | 2   | Manufacturers            | ... | 3   |
| Builders                  | ... | 2   | Masons                   | ... | 2   |
| Cabinet Makers            | ... | 3   | Mechanics                | ... | 2   |
| Canvassers                | ... | 3   | Merchants                | ... | 3   |
| Carpenters and Joiners    |     | 12  | Millers                  | ... | 2   |
| Chemist and Druggist      |     | 2   | Milliners                | ... | 6   |
| Clerks                    | ... | 88  | Ministers                | ... | 3   |
| Clickers                  | ... | 10  | Nurses                   | ... | 3   |
| Confectioners             | ... | 2   | Organ Builders           | ... | 3   |
| Cutters                   | ... | 7   | Packers                  | ... | 9   |
| Decorators                | ... | 2   | Painters and Plumbers    |     | 9   |
| Domestic Servants         | ... | 21  | Piano Maker and Tuner    |     | 2   |
| Drapers                   | ... | 7   | Policemen                | ... | 3   |
| Dressmakers               | ... | 26  | Porters                  | ... | 3   |
| Electricians              | ... | 6   | Printers and Stereotyper |     | 21  |
| Engineers                 | ... | 5   | Salesmen and Saleswomen  |     | 5   |
| Errand, Office, &c., Boys |     | 27  | Scholars                 | ... | 175 |
| Finishers                 | ... | 5   | Seamstresses             | ... | 3   |
| Fitters                   | ... | 16  | Shopkeepers...           | ... | 8   |
| Foreman and Forewoman     |     | 2   | Superintendents          | ... | 2   |
| Furriers                  | ... | 2   | Surgeons                 | ... | 2   |
| Gardeners                 | ... | 2   | Silk Winders             | ... | 2   |
| Grocers                   | ... | 10  | Tailors                  | ... | 34  |
| Hairdressers              | ... | 5   | Teachers                 | ... | 76  |
| Hosiers                   | ... | 3   | Telegraphists            | ... | 3   |
| Carried forward           |     | 370 | Carried forward          |     | 806 |

|                      |     |                   |      |
|----------------------|-----|-------------------|------|
| Brought forward      | 806 | Brought forward   | 827  |
| Tobacconists ...     | 2   | Watchmakers ...   | 4    |
| Travellers ...       | 6   | Wood Carvers ...  | 3    |
| Typists ...          | 3   | Wood Turners ...  | 2    |
| Upholstereresses ... | 2   | Miscellaneous ... | 77   |
| Warehousemen ...     | 8   | Not stated ...    | 279  |
| Carried forward      | 827 | Total             | 1192 |

### *Ages of Borrowers.*

|                       |     | Borrowers from<br>Dec. 1, 1877, to<br>May 31, 1897. |     | New Borrowers<br>in 1902-3. |     | Borrowers since<br>May 31, 1897. |  |
|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|--|
| Above 13 and under 20 | ... | 8884                                                | ... | 587                         | ... | 3877                             |  |
| „ 20                  | 25  | 2537                                                | ... | 169                         | ... | 1476                             |  |
| „ 25                  | 30  | 1736                                                | ... | 111                         | ... | 1039                             |  |
| „ 30                  | 35  | 1223                                                | ... | 74                          | ... | 757                              |  |
| „ 35                  | 40  | 902                                                 | ... | 62                          | ... | 521                              |  |
| „ 40                  | 45  | 635                                                 | ... | 57                          | ... | 433                              |  |
| „ 45                  | 50  | 423                                                 | ... | 26                          | ... | 266                              |  |
| „ 50                  | 55  | 353                                                 | ... | 15                          | ... | 200                              |  |
| „ 55                  | 60  | 195                                                 | ... | 15                          | ... | 127                              |  |
| „ 60                  | ... | 437                                                 | ... | 25                          | ... | 299                              |  |
| Not stated            | ... | 1250                                                | ... | 51                          | ... | 893                              |  |
| Totals                | ... | 18575                                               |     | 1192                        |     | 9888                             |  |

### *Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.*

| Years.       | Tickets<br>Issued. | New Borrowers. |                            | Borrowers since<br>May 31, 1897. |      |
|--------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|------|
| 1897-8       | 3546               | 3529           | (1788 females, 1741 males) | ...                              | 3529 |
| 1898-9       | 1609               | 1360           | ( 645 „ 715 „ )            | ...                              | 4889 |
| 1899-1900... | 1928               | 1295           | ( 603 „ 692 „ )            | ...                              | 6184 |
| 1900-01      | 2151               | 1338           | ( 625 „ 713 „ )            | ...                              | 7522 |
| 1901-2       | 1971               | 1180           | ( 538 „ 642 „ )            | ...                              | 8702 |
| 1902-3       |                    |                |                            |                                  |      |
| To July 31,  | 469                | 243            | ( 100 „ 143 „ )            | } ...                            | 9894 |
| To Mar. 31,  | 4462               | 949            | ( 391 „ 558 „ )            |                                  |      |
| Totals       | 16136              | 9894           | 4690 „ 5204 „              |                                  |      |

The Borrowers to May 31, 1897, from December 1, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males—to whom had been issued 59394 cards.

*Wards wherein Borrowers Resided.*

|        |            | Population<br>in 1901. |        | New Borrowers<br>in 1902-3. |      | Borrowers since<br>May 31, 1897. |      |
|--------|------------|------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|------|----------------------------------|------|
| 1.     | Conisford  | ...                    | 5540   | ...                         | 67   | ...                              | 640  |
| 2.     | Ber Street | ...                    | 8100   | ...                         | 51   | ...                              | 415  |
| 3.     | Mancroft   | ...                    | 3960   | ...                         | 53   | ...                              | 507  |
| 4.     | Westwick   | ...                    | 6385   | ...                         | 83   | ...                              | 773  |
| 5.     | Coslany    | ...                    | 6580   | ...                         | 40   | ...                              | 425  |
| 6.     | Fye Bridge | ...                    | 7455   | ...                         | 54   | ...                              | 427  |
| 7.     | Thorpe     | ...                    | 5950   | ...                         | 101  | ...                              | 597  |
| 8.     | Lakenham   | ...                    | 6001   | ...                         | 35   | ...                              | 398  |
| 9.     | Town Close | ...                    | 6341   | ...                         | 77   | ...                              | 563  |
| 10.    | Eaton      | ...                    | 11387  | ...                         | 176  | ...                              | 1405 |
| 11.    | Nelson     | ...                    | 6805   | ...                         | 70   | ...                              | 791  |
| 12.    | Earlham    | ...                    | 6341   | ...                         | 97   | ...                              | 876  |
| 13.    | Heigham    | ...                    | 6650   | ...                         | 56   | ...                              | 386  |
| 14.    | Wensum     | ...                    | 6230   | ...                         | 31   | ...                              | 386  |
| 15.    | Catton     | ...                    | 9171   | ...                         | 99   | ...                              | 655  |
| 16.    | Mousehold  | ...                    | 8832   | ...                         | 102  | ...                              | 650  |
| Totals |            | ...                    | 111728 |                             | 1192 |                                  | 9894 |

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1074; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.

The Lending and Reference Departments are open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Sundays, Thursdays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Bank Holidays; and the Reading-Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Sundays (when it is from 3 to 9 p.m.), Christmas Day, and Good Friday.

*Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1902-3.*

| Months,<br>1902-3. | Days<br>open. | Art,<br>Science,<br>and<br>Political<br>Economy. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspondence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and<br>Miscellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Natural<br>History. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...          | 22            | 314                                              | 158                                 | 88                      | 8879     | 322                       | 639                                             | 59                   | 76                  | 10535              | 479                         |
| May ...            | 21            | 304                                              | 141                                 | 84                      | 8734     | 328                       | 551                                             | 61                   | 74                  | 10277              | 485                         |
| June ...           | 21            | 244                                              | 93                                  | 44                      | 7362     | 255                       | 437                                             | 62                   | 64                  | 8561               | 408                         |
| July ...           | 22            | 256                                              | 107                                 | 56                      | 7794     | 249                       | 465                                             | 52                   | 63                  | 9042               | 411                         |
| August ...         | ...           | ...                                              | ...                                 | ...                     | ...      | ...                       | ...                                             | ...                  | ...                 | ...                | ...                         |
| September          | 22            | 342                                              | 142                                 | 55                      | 8259     | 245                       | 473                                             | 58                   | 61                  | 9635               | 438                         |
| October ...        | 22            | 363                                              | 153                                 | 66                      | 8617     | 305                       | 556                                             | 65                   | 57                  | 10182              | 465                         |
| November ...       | 21            | 317                                              | 159                                 | 79                      | 8595     | 309                       | 582                                             | 69                   | 79                  | 10189              | 485                         |
| December ...       | 22            | 294                                              | 122                                 | 99                      | 8490     | 277                       | 612                                             | 63                   | 48                  | 10005              | 450                         |
| January ...        | 22            | 369                                              | 183                                 | 104                     | 9773     | 380                       | 792                                             | 61                   | 66                  | 11728              | 533                         |
| February ...       | 20            | 388                                              | 147                                 | 102                     | 8890     | 351                       | 656                                             | 74                   | 58                  | 10666              | 533                         |
| March ...          | 22            | 389                                              | 160                                 | 94                      | 9392     | 401                       | 687                                             | 80                   | 89                  | 11292              | 513                         |
| Totals             | 237           | 3580                                             | 1565                                | 871                     | 91785    | 3422                      | 6450                                            | 704                  | 735                 | 112112             | 473                         |
| Percentages '02-3  | ...           | 3.19                                             | 1.40                                | 0.78                    | 84.54    | 3.05                      | 5.75                                            | 0.63                 | 0.66                | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages '01-2  | ...           | 2.93                                             | 1.50                                | 0.85                    | 83.92    | 3.16                      | 6.27                                            | 0.63                 | 0.74                | ...                | ...                         |

*Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1902-3.*

| Years.                | Days open. | Art, Science, and Political Economy. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneus. | Law and Theology. | Natural History. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ...      | 1275       | 4790                                 | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                 | 1675              | 2279             | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ...   | 1265       | 8661                                 | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                 | 1381              | 3069             | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ..   | 1170       | 13047                                | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                 | 2282              | 4455             | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 ...            | 232        | 2304                                 | 1298                          | 726               | 68678    | 3261                | 8918                                  | 465               | 705              | 86355         | 372                   |
| 1894-5 ..             | 235        | 2555                                 | 1099                          | 640               | 75413    | 2676                | 9207                                  | 577               | 563              | 92730         | 395                   |
| 1895-6 ...            | 236        | 2354                                 | 1365                          | 649               | 73650    | 3387                | 8041                                  | 468               | 526              | 90440         | 382                   |
| 1896-7 ...            | 233        | 2190                                 | 1002                          | 588               | 75555    | 2882                | 6655                                  | 487               | 516              | 89875         | 386                   |
| 1897-8 (to May 31)    | 46         | 423                                  | 260                           | 116               | 15320    | 662                 | 1408                                  | 121               | 134              | 18444         | 401                   |
| To May 31, 1897       | 4692       | 36324                                | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                | 7456              | 12247            | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13) | 137        | 1719                                 | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                | 3939                                  | 343               | 286              | 55139         | 402                   |
| 1898-9 ...            | 258        | 3286                                 | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                  | 666               | 590              | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ...         | 235        | 2931                                 | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                  | 777               | 563              | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ...           | 232        | 3324                                 | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                  | 741               | 651              | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ...            | 232        | 3328                                 | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                  | 711               | 845              | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3 ...            | 237        | 3580                                 | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                | 6450                                  | 704               | 735              | 112112        | 473                   |
| Totals ...            | 6 23       | 54492                                | 35597                         | 17186             | 1511991  | 75478               | 211515                                | 11398             | 15917            | 1983574       | 321                   |
| Percentages ...       | ...        | 2.82                                 | 1.85                          | 0.89              | 78.19    | 3.90                | 10.94                                 | 0.59              | 0.82             | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26 instead of January 1; and in 1899 it closed March 31 instead of March 25. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13, 1897. See note on page 13.



*Monthly Issues of Books from 1878 to 1902-3.*

| Years.                | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. | April. | May.  | June.  | July.  | Aug.   | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Totals. |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1878 to *1882         | 13154  | 13986  | 15145  | 14828  | 14455 | 13359  | 14392  | 6327   | 6774   | 11713  | 13995  | 14144  | 152272  |
| 1883 to 1887-8        | 35193  | 35006  | 38062  | 27961  | 28962 | 26590  | 26622  | 8981   | 27101  | 31064  | 30725  | 28725  | 344992  |
|                       | April. | May.   | June.  | July.  | Aug.  | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. |         |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3      | 39522  | 39113  | 36408  | 37968  | ...   | 33899  | 41689  | 41867  | 39571  | 45067  | 42453  | 42748  | 445305  |
| 1893-4                | 7845   | 6706   | 6657   | 7353   | ...   | 7572   | 8182   | 8027   | 7997   | 9383   | 8316   | 8317   | 86355   |
| 1894-5                | 8453   | 8060   | 8235   | 7636   | ...   | 7614   | 8307   | 8306   | 8109   | 9218   | 8687   | 10105  | 92730   |
| 1895-6                | 8494   | 8117   | 7526   | 7563   | ...   | 7234   | 7881   | 8648   | 7968   | 9007   | 8865   | 9137   | 90440   |
| 1896-7                | 8214   | 8494   | 7648   | 7541   | ...   | 7706   | 8174   | 8113   | 7527   | 8943   | 8297   | 9218   | 89875   |
| 1897-8 (to May 31)    | 10215  | 8229   | ...    | ...    | ...   | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | 18444   |
| To May 31, 1897..     | 125532 | 122136 | 106423 | 109075 | 15308 | 102900 | 117010 | 119681 | 114041 | 129965 | 125610 | 132732 | 1320413 |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 15) | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...   | 4031   | 8186   | 8515   | 7905   | 9530   | 9089   | 7883   | 55189   |
| 1898-9                | 9412   | 8734   | 8231   | 8419   | 8033  | 8606   | 9380   | 8929   | 8646   | 10008  | 9607   | 12091  | 110096  |
| 1899-1900             | ...    | 10000  | 8845   | 8766   | ...   | 9257   | 9536   | 9662   | 8585   | 10089  | 10052  | 11473  | 107293  |
| 1900-01               | ...    | 10428  | 10062  | 9623   | ...   | 10014  | 11345  | 10752  | 10099  | 11274  | 10714  | 12035  | 114973  |
| 1901-2                | ...    | 9782   | 10062  | 9243   | ...   | 9632   | 10541  | 11515  | 10050  | 11439  | 10706  | 10622  | 113548  |
| 1902-3                | ...    | 10586  | 10009  | 9534   | ...   | 9635   | 10182  | 10189  | 10005  | 11728  | 10666  | 11292  | 112112  |
| 1902-3                | ...    | 10535  | 10277  | 8561   | ...   | 9635   | 10182  | 10189  | 10005  | 11728  | 10666  | 11292  | 112112  |
| Totals                | ...    | 176275 | 151217 | 153459 | 23341 | 154105 | 176180 | 179243 | 169331 | 194633 | 186444 | 198128 | 1983574 |
| Percentages           | ...    | 9.12   | 8.85   | 7.82   | 1.21  | 7.97   | 9.11   | 9.27   | 8.75   | 10.07  | 9.64   | 10.25  | ..      |

\* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven, weeks extra. See note on page 12.

*A Selection from the Additions to the Library during  
1902-3.*

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Accounts of Lives of Friends. Austin's Tale of True Love and other Poems. Badminton Library: Motors and Motor Driving. Banister's Lectures on Musical Analysis. Berens's Toward the Light, Ethics and Economics. Besant's As We Are and As We May Be. Bigham's Year in China, 1899-1900. Blackburn's Women's Suffrage, Record of the Movement. Bosanquet's Strength of the People, Social Economics. Bourne's Teaching of History and Civics in Schools. British Anthologies, 1401-1800 (10 vols.) Brooke's Poetry of Robert Browning. Budge's History of Egypt (8 vols.) Burdett's Nursing Profession. Cheyne's Founders of Old Testament Criticism. Church Reform: Essays on the Government of the Church of England. Co-Education (Essays by various Authors). Cross and Cole's Modern Microscopy. Creighton's Story of Some English Shires. Cust's Pavement Masters of Siena, 1369-1562. DeWet's Three Years' War. Ditchfield's Old English Customs now Extant. Elliot's Nature Studies (Plant Life). Fraser's Real Siberia. Geikie's Earth Sculpture, or Origin of Land Forms. Golding's Manufacture of Boots and Shoes. Grove's Seventy-one Days Camping in Morocco. Guiseppe Mazzini, by B. King. Günther's Introduction to the Study of Fishes. Harper's Cambridge, Ely, and King's Lynn Road. Heart of the Empire: Problems of Modern City Life. Hodge's Nature Study and Life. Hughes's Making of Citizens, Study in Comparative Education. Jukes-Browne's Stratigraphical Geology. Kidd's Principles of Western Civilisation. Kropotkin's Mutual Aid. Lee's Queen Victoria, a Biography. Life in Town and Country: Dutch, French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish and Swiss. Lord Stratheona, the Story of His Life. Lowry's With the Guards' Brigade, Bloemfontein to Koomati Poort. Maclean's Literature of the Celts. Merivale's Bar, Stage, and Platform. Millin's Village Problem. Milne's Epistles of Atkins, Letters from South Africa. Morris's Architecture, Industry, and Wealth. Pogson's Germany and Its Trade. Ransome's Japan in Transformation. Rogers's Six Centuries of Work and Wages. Roosevelt's Strenuous Life. Samuel's Contemporary Liberalism in England. Shadwell's Drink, Temperance, and Legislation. Smyth's Through Science to Faith. Spence's Facts and Comments. State Trials.

Political and Social ; ed. by H. L. Stephen. Theal's Progress of South Africa in the Century. Thomas's Denmark Past and Present. Tunzelmann's Wireless Telegraphy. Warren's Commercial Knowledge. Webster's Through New Guinea and the Cannibal Countries. Wheeler's Sea Coast : Destruction, Protection, &c. Williams's Romance of Modern Invention. Witherby's Bird Hunting on the White Nile, Naturalist's Experiences. Woman's Library : Education and Professions, and Needlework. The principal Magazines to date, and recent works of Fiction have also been added.

#### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Aldrovandi Philosophi ac Medici Bononiensis Ornithologie (1610-13). Aschrott's English Poor Law System. Baker's Descriptive Guide to the Best Fiction. Bayle's Historical and Critical Dictionary, 5 vols. (1734-8). Bayliss's Rex Regum, Study of the Likeness of Christ. Birch's Description of the Papyrus of Nas-Khem, discovered in a Tomb near Thebes in 1862. Brandt's History of the Reformation in the Low Countries, 1720-3. Calendar of Letter Books Preserved at the Guildhall, London, *circa* 1275-1314. Camden Society's Publications, complete, 1838-1900 (170 vols.) Chapman's Foraminifera. Chronological Table of all Statutes, and Index to Statutes in Force. Cooper's Athenæ Cantabrigienses, 1500-1609. Colonial Publications relating to Australia, New Zealand, &c. Coupland's Thoughts and Aspirations of the Ages. Evans's (G. E.) Midland Churches : History of Churches on the Roll of the Midland Christian Union. Evans's (T. J.) Notes on Carpentry and Joinery "First Stage." Great Britain, Her Finance and Commerce. Hall's Court Life under the Plantagenets. Hazlitt's Coinage of the European Continent. Howell's Labour Legislation, Movements, and Leaders. Jenning's Paint and Colour Mixing. Jonstoni Historiæ Naturalis cum Æneis Figuris (1657). Kelly's Egypt Painted and Described. Mothersole's Everybody's Guide to the Education Act, 1902. Newton's Dictionary of Birds. Ogden's War Against the Dutch Republics in South Africa. Parliamentary Papers, Reports, or Returns on County Courts, Education, Fisheries, Friendly and Industrial Societies, Gas, Labour, Local Taxation, Trade Unions, &c. Perry's Chronology of Mediæval and Renaissance Architecture. Perspective at Sight, R's Method. Ray Society Publications, 1845-88 (36 vols.) Reports on Experimental Farms in Canada. Reyce's Breviary of Suffolk, 1618 ; with notes by Lord F. Hervey. Saunders's Manual of British Birds. Seebohm's Coloured Figures

of Eggs of British Birds, with Notices. Shaftesbury's (Earl) Characteristicks of Men, Manners, Opinions, Times (1723). Shakespearian—Seager's Natural History in Shakespeare's Time; Showell's Shakespeare's Avon, from Source to Severn. Smithsonian Institution Reports, 1900-1. South Africa and Its Future (13 papers by Duke of Argyll and others). Sufferings of the People called Quakers, 1650-66. The Antiquary, 1880-84 (10 vols.) Thompson's Gardener's Assistant; new edition. Tymms and Wyatt's Art of Illuminating in Europe from Earliest Times.

Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board of Trade and Trade Marks Journals, Camden, Early English Text, Palæontographical, and Ray Societies' Publications; Encyclopædia Britannica (new volumes), Historical Manuscripts Commission's Reports, Indexes to Periodical Literature, New English and other Dictionaries, Parliamentary Debates, and Public General Acts; also Proceedings and Reports of the British Association, Co-operative Congress, Egypt Exploration Fund, Royal Colonial Institute, Royal Geographical Society, and Smithsonian Institution. The following are periodically bound:—Daylight, Eastern Daily Press, Norfolk Daily Standard, Norwich Mercury, Times (daily edition, and Index thereto purchased as published), the leading Illustrated Magazines and Newspapers, and Literary, Professional, and Religious Journals.

The Trustees of the British Museum have kindly forwarded Annals of the Kings of Assyria, Cuneiform texts; with translations, vol. 1. Catalogues of Birds' Eggs, vols. 1 and 2; Coronation Exhibition in the King's Library; Cuneiform Tablets in the Kouyunjik Collection, vols. 1-5; Drawings by Artists working in Great Britain, vol. 3; Early Christian Antiquities; Fossil Fishes, part 4; Lepidoptera Phalænæ, vol. 3; Waddesdon Bequest, Jewels, &c., bequeathed by Baron F. Rothschild; and of the Printed Books, 7 parts. Guides to Antiquities of the Stone Age; Assyrian, Babylonian, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman Antiquities; Coral Gallery (Protozoa, &c.); Exhibition of Drawings and Sketches, Old Masters and English School; and to Exhibition illustrating History of Printing, &c. Also Hand-List of Birds, vol. 3; Monograph of Culicidæ, or Mosquitoes, vols. 1-3; Report on Collections in Antarctic Regions during voyage of "Southern Cross"; Set of 40 Lithographic Plates of Westwood's Phasmidæ; and Subject-Index of Modern Works added 1881-1900, vol. 1.



## LOCAL COLLECTION.

Abbey's Church of God and the Gates of Hell. Alger's Paris in 1789-94. Boyden's Spiritual Songs. Brettingham's Plans and Elevations of Holkham Hall, with Accounts of Statues, Pictures, &c. (1761-73). Caley's Flash Lights for English Churchmen. Case of Sir J. Astley on his Claim to the Title of Baron Hastings, with Minutes of Evidence. Coke's Institutes of the Laws of England. Cowper's (W.) Private Correspondence. Drummond and Upton's Life and Letters of James Martineau. Elwin's Some 18th Century Men of Letters. Giglioli's Naples in 1799. Haggard's Rural England. Harcourt's Theatre Royal, Norwich. Hesketh's Letters to J. Johnson concerning William Cowper, the Poet. Kemp's History of the Kemp and Kempe Families. Le Bas's Life of Bishop Middleton. Legge's Poems, Sacred and Secular. Loftus's My Life, and My Youth on Sea and Land. Marriages Recorded in the Register of the Sacrist of Norwich Cathedral, 1697-1754. Memoir of G. J. Mountain. Minute and Cash Books relating to the Norwich Mechanics' Institution and Polytechnic Exhibition, 1825-45. Montagu's *Originum Ecclesiasticarum* (1640). Norwich Mercury, 1802-75, in 37 vols. Norwich Rate Book, 1633-4; ed. by W. Rye. Phipson's Choir Stalls and Their Carvings. Pigott's London Birds and other Sketches. Porter's Industrial Cuba. Potter's Tragedies of Euripides. Scott's Book of Job in English Verse. Select Pleas, &c., from the Rolls of the Exchequer of the Jews, 1220-84, Sir Harry Bullard: Record of a Busy Public Life. Watson's Life of Richard Porson. Willis's Shakespeare-Bacon Controversy.

There have also been added as published, by presentation, or as special opportunities to purchase arose—Co-operative Monthly Herald, East Anglian Notes and Queries, Eastern Counties Magazine Fenland Notes and Queries, Norfolk and Norwich Archæological and Naturalists' Societies' Transactions, Norfolk Annals, Norfolk Parish Registers (Marriages), Norvicensian, Norwich Diocesan Gazette, and Parish Magazines; Statements of Accounts, &c., of the Corporation, County Council, Guardians, and School Board; and Engravings, Etchings, Maps, Old Newspapers, (including the Norwich Mercury, 1802-75), Pamphlets, Portraits, Views, &c., of a specially local nature.

## REPORTS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES.

Annual Reports of similar Libraries have been received, the figures denoting the number of the Report and apparent age of the Library :—Aberdeen 18, Barrow-in-Furness 19, Belfast 14, Birmingham 40, Blackburn, Blackpool 22, Bolton 49, Bootle 15, Bradford 32, Buxton 13, Cambridge 47, Cardiff 40, Cheltenham 17, Clitheroe 24, Derby 31, Folkestone 20, Gloucester 3, Hanley 15, Hove 9 and 10, Kettering 6, Leeds 32, Leicester 31, Lincoln 8—London : Battersea 15, Croydon 13, Ealing 19, Finsbury, Fulham 14, Hammersmith, Hornsey 3, Kilburn 9, Richmond 21, Shoreditch 11, Tottenham, Twickenham 20, Walthamstow 7, Wandsworth, Westminster 8, Willesden Green, Wimbledon 15—Longton 11, Newcastle-upon-Tyne 21, Plymouth 24 and 25, Salford 54, Smethwick, Southampton 13, St. Helens 24, Tynemouth 32, West Bromwich 28, Wigan 24, Worcester, Yarmouth 16, and York 9. Also recent reports from the Maimonides Free Library, New York ; Nicholson Institute, Leek ; Oxford Bodleian Library, St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, Stirling's and Glasgow Public Library, and the Public Library of New South Wales, Sydney.

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*The following Magazines, Reviews, Newspapers, Directories, &c., are placed in the Reading-Rooms. Those marked \* are placed in the Women's Reading-Room, and those marked † are presented.*

## ANNUALLY.

†Australian Year-Book  
Baptist Handbook  
Cambridge University Calendar  
Catholic Year Bk. and Directory  
Church of England Year-Book  
Civil Service Year-Book  
Congregational Year-Book  
Crockford's Clerical Directory  
†Durham University Calendar  
Gardening Year-Book  
Hazell's Annual  
Jewish Year-Book  
London University Calendar  
Municipal Year-Book  
Oxford University Calendar  
Reformers' Year-Book  
Schoolmasters Year-Book  
Statesman's Year-Book  
†University Corres. Coll. Calendar  
Year's Art

## QUARTERLY.

Edinburgh Review  
\*Englishwoman's Review  
Hibbert Journal  
Journal of Board of Agriculture  
Navy List  
†Puritan  
Quarterly Review

## MONTHLY.

Army List  
Art Journal  
Atlantic Monthly  
Blackwood's Edinburgh Magaz.  
†Building Society's Gazette  
†Canadian Patent Office Record  
\*Cassell's Fam. Mag. (1 in Men's)  
Cassier's Magazine  
\*Century Illustrated  
\*Chambers's Journal (1 in Men's)  
\*Child's Guardian  
\*Commonwealth  
\*Concord (1 in Men's) [Prices  
Connoisseur; and Supp., Sale  
Contemporary Review  
Cornhill Magazine  
†Cottager and Artizan  
†Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Jour.

## MONTHLY (continued).

†Educational Times  
\*English Illustrated Magazine  
\*†Epicure  
†Fire and Water  
Foresters' Miscellany  
Fortnightly Review  
†Free Russia  
Gentleman's Magazine  
\*Girl's Own Paper  
Good Words  
\*†Goodwill  
\*Harper's Magazine  
†Herald of Peace  
†Herald of the Golden Age  
\*Household Words  
Idler  
†Insurance Agent and Review  
†Inventors' Review  
†Jewish Missionary Intelligence  
†Journal of Professional  
†Labour Gazette [Musicians  
\*†Ladies' League Gazette  
Leisure Hour  
†London, Seaside, and Country  
Longman's Magazine  
Macmillan's Magazine  
Magazine of Art  
Magazine of Commerce  
\*†Mercury Training Ship Mag. (1  
\*†Mercy and Truth [in Men's)  
Monthly Review  
\*†Musical Herald, Tonic Sol-Fa  
\*Musical Times [Rep.  
National Review  
†Nature Notes  
Nineteenth Century  
†Oddfellows' Magazine  
†Our Western Empire  
†Patents  
†Personal Rights Journal  
†Phillip's Machine Register  
†Plumber and Decorator  
†Positivist  
\*†Primrose League Gazette  
Quiver  
†Rechabite and Temp. Magazine  
Review of Reviews  
\*Scribner's Magazine  
†State Correspondent

MONTHLY (*continued*).

Strand Magazine  
 \*Sunday at Home  
 \*†Sunday Closing Reporter  
 \*†Sunday League Advocate  
 Sunday Magazine  
 Temple Bar  
 †Tool and Machinery Register  
 †Tract Magazine  
 †Travel  
 †Vegetarian Messenger  
 Westminster Review  
 Woodworker  
 Young Oxford  
 Zoologist  
 †Zoophilist

## TRI-WEEKLY.

Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart

## BI-WEEKLY.

\*†Norwich Mercury (1 in Men's)  
 1 given

## WEEKLY.

Academy  
 †Alliance News  
 Army and Navy Gazette  
 Athenæum  
 Australasian  
 †Board of Trade Journal  
 Boot and Shoe Trades Journal  
 †Boston Independent  
 Boy's Own Paper  
 Builder  
 Building News  
 Cage Birds  
 †Canadian Gazette  
 †Carpenter and Builder  
 Cassell's Saturday Journal  
 †Catholic Times  
 \*†Christian Endeavour (1 in Men's)  
 †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.  
 \*†Christian World (2 in Men's)  
 Church Times [1 given]  
 †Civil Service Aspirant  
 †Civil Service Candidate  
 \*†Civil Service Competitor (1 Men's)  
 †Civil Service Gazette  
 †Colliery Guardian  
 \*†Co-operative News (1 in Men's)  
 †Councillor and Guardian  
 \*†Cromer and North Walsham Post  
 \*†Daylight (2 in Men's) 1 given  
 †Draper's Record  
 \*†Eastern Counties Times  
 \*†Eastern Weekly Press

WEEKLY (*continued*).

Electrician  
 Engineer  
 Engineering  
 †English Churchman  
 English Mechanic  
 Era  
 \*Family Herald and Supplement  
 Feathered World  
 Field  
 Gardeners' Magazine  
 †Gardening World  
 \*Graphic (1 in Men's)  
 Great Thoughts  
 Grocer  
 †Guardian  
 \*Illus. London News (1 in Men's)  
 †Illus. Official Journal (Patents)  
 Invention  
 Investors' Review  
 †Journal of Society of Arts  
 Judy  
 \*†Lady's Gazette  
 \*Lady's Pictorial  
 Land and Water  
 †Literary World  
 †Local Government Chronicle  
 †Local Government Journal  
 †Lowestoft Journal  
 †Lowestoft Standard  
 †Lynn News and County Press  
 Mechanical World  
 \*†Midland Counties Herald  
 Municipal Journal  
 Nature  
 Newcastle Chronicle  
 \*†Norfolk Chron. (1 Men's), 1 giv.  
 \*†Norfolk News (1 Men's), 1 given  
 \*†Norfolk Weekly Standard and  
 Argus (1 in Men's), 1 given  
 Notes and Queries  
 \*†People's Weekly Journal  
 Phonetic Journal  
 †Pilot  
 †Poor Law Officers' Journal  
 †Present Truth  
 Public Health Engineer  
 Public Opinion  
 \*Punch (1 in Men's)  
 \*Queen  
 Saturday Review  
 †School Board Chronicle  
 \*School Guardian  
 Schoolmaster  
 \*Schoolmistress  
 Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List

WEEKLY (*continued*).

- †Shoe and Leather Record
- \*Spare Moments
- Speaker
- Spectator
- Sunday Sun
- †Tablet
- †Tailor and Cutter
- Timber Trades Journal
- \*Tit Bits
- Trade Marks Journal
- Truth
- †University Correspondent
- Volunteer Service Gazette
- Westminster Budget
- \*†Worcester Herald
- Work
- †Yarmouth Independent
- \*Young Ladies' Journal

## DAILY.

- Birmingham Post
- Chronicle
- East Anglian Times
- \*†Eastern Daily Press (1 in Men's,  
1 also in Lobby), 1 given
- †Eastern Evening News (1 also in  
Lobby), 1 given
- Eastern Morning Gazette
- Echo (in Lobby)
- †Express
- Manchester Guardian
- News
- Norfolk Standard (in Lobby)
- Pall Mall Gazette
- \*Standard (1 in Men's)
- Star (in Lobby)
- \*Telegraph (1 in Men's)
- †Times, 1 given
- Westminster Gazette
- Yorkshire Post

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

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|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Bradshaw ; and Continental in<br>season | †London and South Western             |
| †Cook's Traveller's Gazette             | †London, Brighton, and South<br>Coast |
| †Great Eastern                          | †London, Chatham, and Dover           |
| †Great Eastern Continental              | †Midland                              |
| †Great Northern                         | †Midland and Gt. Northern Joint       |
| †Great Western                          | †Norwich—Fletcher's and               |
| †London and North Western               | †South Eastern [Jarrold's]            |
- (*The Time Tables, except Bradshaw's and Cook's, are placed in the Lobby.*)

## KELLY'S DIRECTORIES.

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|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Beds, Hunts, and Northampton-<br>shire                    | Lancashire, except Liverpool<br>and Manchester ; with Gore's   |
| Berks, Bucks, and Oxon                                    | Liverpool and Suburbs, and                                     |
| Birmingham, Staffs, Warwick-<br>shire, and Worcestershire | Slater's Manchester, Salford,<br>and Suburban                  |
| Cambs, Norfolk, and Suffolk                               | Lincolnshire, with Hull and                                    |
| Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rut-<br>land, and Notts       | Neighbourhood                                                  |
| Devonshire and Cornwall                                   | London                                                         |
| Durham and Northumberland                                 | London Suburban                                                |
| Essex, Herts, and Middlesex                               | Somersetshire and Glouces-<br>shire, with Bristol              |
| Hants, Wilts, and Dorsetshire                             | Yorks (West Riding ; and North<br>and East Ridings, with York) |
| Kent, Surrey, and Sussex                                  |                                                                |

Advertiser's A B C ; and Practical Advertising  
 Atlantic Cable Directory and Code Book ; Thom's Official Directory  
 Business Directory of London and Provincial and Foreign Trade Guide  
 Commercial Directory of the United Kingdom and the Continent  
 Eastern Counties Business and International Mercantile Directories  
 Kelly's Directory of Merchants, Manufacturers and Shippers  
 Kelly's Handbook to the Titled, Landed, and Official Classes  
 Patents for Inventions—Abridgments of Specifications  
 Stubbs's Directory of Great Britain and the Continent.

## FREE LIBRARY

*Revenue Account for the Year***Expenditure.**

|                                                                                          | £     | s  | d. | £     | s  | d. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|-------|----|----|
| To Salaries—Librarian ... ..                                                             | 150   | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Sub-Librarian ... ..                                                                     | 100   | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Assistants ... ..                                                                        | 314   | 6  | 7  |       |    |    |
| Charwoman ... ..                                                                         | 20    | 16 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                                                          | <hr/> |    |    | 585   | 2  | 7  |
| Loan—Interest ... ..                                                                     | 37    | 16 | 7  |       |    |    |
| Instalments ... ..                                                                       | 52    | 13 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                                                          | <hr/> |    |    | 90    | 9  | 7  |
| Insurance ... ..                                                                         | 11    | 18 | 6  |       |    |    |
| Books Purchased ... ..                                                                   | 236   | 9  | 2  |       |    |    |
| Binding Books ... ..                                                                     | 86    | 7  | 11 |       |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals ... ..                                                        | 105   | 15 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery ... ..                                                           | 23    | 4  | 4  |       |    |    |
| Cleaning, Limewashing, &c., Basement ... ..                                              | 14    | 1  | 5  |       |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows ... ..                                                                  | 10    | 18 | 0  |       |    |    |
| General Repairs ... ..                                                                   | 15    | 19 | 3  |       |    |    |
| Electric Light ... ..                                                                    | 86    | 6  | 8  |       |    |    |
| Gas, Water, and Fuel ... ..                                                              | 18    | 18 | 4  |       |    |    |
| Borrowers' Tickets and Indicator ... ..                                                  | 45    | 16 | 5  |       |    |    |
| Attendance of Librarian at Annual Meeting of<br>Library Association at Birmingham ... .. | 2     | 12 | 6  |       |    |    |
| Winding and Cleaning Clocks ... ..                                                       | 0     | 13 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Librarian's Disbursements and Miscellaneous ... ..                                       | 13    | 17 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                                                          | <hr/> |    |    | 672   | 17 | 6  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure ... ..                                      |       |    |    | 248   | 13 | 7  |
|                                                                                          |       |    |    | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                                                          |       |    |    | 1597  | 3  | 3  |
|                                                                                          |       |    |    | <hr/> |    |    |

*Fines Account for the Year*

|                                                                    | £     | s  | d. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection ... .. | 30    | 3  | 2  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure ... ..                | 34    | 17 | 7  |
|                                                                    | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                                    | 65    | 0  | 9  |
|                                                                    | <hr/> |    |    |

**Liabilities.**

|                                                        | £     | s  | d. | BALANCE SHEET— | £   | s  | d. |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|----------------|-----|----|----|
| To Sundry Creditors ... ..                             |       |    |    |                | 165 | 19 | 8  |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1902 ... ..               | 925   | 11 | 10 |                |     |    |    |
| Do. for the current year ... ..                        | 248   | 13 | 7  |                |     |    |    |
|                                                        | <hr/> |    |    | 1174           | 5   | 5  |    |
| Fines Account—Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1902 ... .. | 68    | 17 | 8  |                |     |    |    |
| Do. for the current year. ... ..                       | 34    | 17 | 7  |                |     |    |    |
|                                                        | <hr/> |    |    | 103            | 15  | 3  |    |
|                                                        |       |    |    | <hr/>          |     |    |    |
|                                                        |       |    |    | 1444           | 0   | 4  |    |
|                                                        |       |    |    | <hr/>          |     |    |    |

## FUND.

*ended 31st March, 1903.***Income.**

|                                                                                                                                                  | £     | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Rent .. ... ..                                                                                                                                |       |    |    | 14   | 2  | 10 |
| Sale of Borrowers' Tickets .. ... ..                                                                                                             | 20    | 19 | 6  |      |    |    |
| Papers ... ..                                                                                                                                    | 4     | 10 | 9  |      |    |    |
| Post Cards, &c. ... ..                                                                                                                           | 3     | 18 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Lavatory .. ... ..                                                                                                                               | 1     | 2  | 2  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                                  | <hr/> |    |    | 30   | 10 | 5  |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1902, included in Precept dated 19th December, 1901 .. ... ..                                   | 375   | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1902, included in Precept dated 17th June, 1902 .. ... .. | 777   | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1903, included in Precept dated 23rd December, 1902 .. ... ..                                | 400   | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                                  | <hr/> |    |    | 1552 | 10 | 0  |

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*ended 31st March, 1903.*

|                    | £     | s. | d. |
|--------------------|-------|----|----|
| By Fines .. ... .. | 65    | 0  | 9  |
|                    | <hr/> |    |    |
|                    | 65    | 0  | 9  |
|                    | <hr/> |    |    |

## REVENUE ACCOUNT.

**Assets.**

|                                  | £     | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------|-------|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Sundry Debtors .. ... ..      |       |    |    | 400  | 0  | 0  |
| Cash in hand—Treasurer .. ... .. | 1034  | 0  | 4  |      |    |    |
| ,, Librarian .. ... ..           | 10    | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                  | <hr/> |    |    | 1044 | 0  | 4  |
|                                  | <hr/> |    |    |      |    |    |
|                                  | <hr/> |    |    | 1444 | 0  | 4  |
|                                  | <hr/> |    |    |      |    |    |

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*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by Law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

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Estimated Population of the City, in middle of 1902—113,178.  
Rateable Value of the City, 1902—£425,744.  
Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1902—£1,600.  
Libraries Act Adopted—1850.  
Library Opened—March, 1857.  
Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1901.  
Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.  
Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—  
Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.  
Reading-Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.  
Books Issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.  
Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.  
Age for Borrowers Altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.  
Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.  
    ,,     ,,     December, 1902, 39,789 Books, 8,697 Pamphlets.  
    ,,     ,,     per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4·35.  
    ,,     ,,     ,,     ,,     December, 1902, 35·15.  
Issues for Home Reading—December, 1877, 1,100.  
    ,,     ,,     December, 1902, 10,005.  
    ,,     ,,     Total since 1877, 1,933,574.



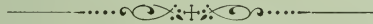
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*Junior Assistants*—G. LONG AND V. SPINKS.

*Reading-Room Attendants*—W. H. HALL, AND M. KELTY (*Sundays*).

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Committee Meetings at the Library, at 4 p.m., on April 13th, July 13th,  
and October 12th, 1904 ; and January 11th, 1905.

Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.



## REPORT, 1903-4.

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YOUR Committee have pleasure in submitting their Report for the past year.

The Lending Department has been open 255 days against 237 last year, your Committee having decided to abandon the custom of closing during the month of August. 133 overdate vouchers have been exchanged for new, 1071 guarantors written to, and 572 postcards purchased and left by borrowers requiring certain books reserved. 502 works have also been added during the year, the present stock consisting of 20,894 vols. The issues have numbered 128,411 (130,841 volumes)—an increase of 16,707 in the Fiction section, and in some others a slight decrease. The increase may probably be attributed partly to this department being open during the holiday month, but mainly to the publication on September 14th of the Catalogue Key for the Fiction section, about 2100 at 1d. and 400 at 2d., half the number printed, having been sold and found of great use in consulting the Indicator; and also to a larger percentage of works *under that head* being read by the greatly increased number of juvenile readers, for whom a large assortment of suitable books descriptive of history, voyages, travels, sports, &c., has been provided.

The publication of the complete Catalogue has been delayed in order to enlarge the number of entries of many books, that its usefulness may be increased by a more ready reference to works required by students on specific subjects. This is being done under the direction of a special Sub-Committee as rapidly as circumstances permit.

The stock of books in the Reference Department, including the Local Collection, numbers 20,279 vols. and 9170 pamphlets, 634 vols. and 411 pamphlets having been added during the year. The issues to readers and students from all sections were 14,435—being 628 in Biography, 40 Fiction, 919 History and Travel, 7031 Magazines and Miscellaneous, 710 Natural History, 421 Poetry, 1383 Art and Science, 564 Law and Theology, and 2739 of a specially local character.

Acting upon the consent given by the Council in 1902 to the practice of occasional and special loans for limited periods, at the discretion of the Librarian, to students of works from this department, there have been during the year 286 books and 50 pamphlets so loaned to 125 different persons in 286 issues. No loss or damage has resulted from this concession.

A larger number of the students attending the University Extension Lectures last year made use in this department of the suitable books set aside from our stock and those sent specially from Cambridge.

Valuable and interesting gifts of books have been received from the British Museum, the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, the Agent-General for Victoria, Australia, the Otis Library, Norwich (Conn.), the Hon. Joseph Choate, S. P. Beare, Esq., J. H. Gurney, Esq., Mrs. I. H. Irby, the Town Clerk of the City of London, and others referred to on page 18.

Notices of the principal additions have been published monthly through the continued kindness of the press.

The inadequate accommodation in the Reading-Room, referred to in former Reports, has received careful attention, and plans have now been prepared by the City Engineer for the proposed extension and proper heating and ventilation of the building, which will be submitted for the favourable consideration of the Council.

Overdate newspapers have been sent to the Workhouse weekly, numbering in the aggregate 6790; also 13 unbound duplicate volumes of the "Graphic" and "Illustrated London News" to the Girls' and Boys' Homes and the Workhouse, and to the latter, the City Asylum, and Isolation Hospital, the discarded worn-out books as usual.

Bi-quarterly countings of all persons present on Sundays gave an average attendance of 201 men and 49 women; total, 250. In the preceding year such average was 235, and 214 in 1901-2.

During the three months ending March 31st the persons present in the Reading-Rooms on week-days were counted hourly, the twelve countings showing a daily average attendance of 476 men and 99 women; total, 575—a total for that quarter of 44,862, irrespective of the many readers of the newspapers in the Lobby.

The extra work entailed on the Librarian and staff by the increased circulation of books, sale of catalogues, &c., has been cheerfully met, and they have, we believe, given satisfaction to the public.

THOMAS S. BREESE,

*Chairman of Committee.*

The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1903-4; but further particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues, and selections of books, &c., and the donors, may be found on pages 8 to 18.

#### LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 20894 volumes; being in—

|                                       |       |      |       |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Art, Science, and Political Economy   | added | 34   | total | 2286  |
| Biography and Correspondence          | ...   | 54   | „     | 1892  |
| Poetry and Drama                      | ...   | 13   | „     | 799   |
| Fiction                               | ...   | 201  | „     | *6952 |
| History and Travel                    | ...   | 81   | „     | 2720  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous | „     | 81   | „     | 4929  |
| Law and Theology                      | ...   | 34   | „     | 867   |
| Natural History                       | ...   | 4    | „     | 449   |
| <hr/>                                 |       |      |       |       |
| Totals                                | ...   | 502  |       | 20894 |
| „ last year                           | ...   | 1110 |       | 20858 |

Days opened ... 255 last year 237

Borrowers—

|                                        |      |   |      |
|----------------------------------------|------|---|------|
| Tickets issued (new 1252, renewed 302) | 1554 | „ | 4931 |
| Holding Tickets, March 31st            | 5875 | „ | 4402 |
| Using Tickets, March 31st              | 3267 | „ | 3179 |

Issues, 128411 (130841 volumes); being in—

|                                       |        |          |       |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------|-------|
| Art, Science, and Political Economy   | 3006   | decrease | 574   |
| Biography and Correspondence          | 1618   | increase | 53    |
| Poetry and Drama                      | 820    | decrease | 51    |
| Fiction                               | 111492 | increase | 16707 |
| History and Travel                    | 3293   | decrease | 129   |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous | 6836   | increase | 386   |
| Law and Theology                      | 714    | „        | 10    |
| Natural History                       | 632    | decrease | 103   |
| <hr/>                                 |        |          |       |
| Totals                                | 128411 | increase | 16299 |
| „ last year                           | 112112 | decrease | 1436  |

\* 7217 less 466 withdrawn and Nos. used for other books, and 201 added, 6952.

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                          |     |     |          |           |           |      |
|------------------------------------------|-----|-----|----------|-----------|-----------|------|
| Average daily issues                     | ... | ... | ...      | 503       | last year | 473  |
| „ issues to ticket-holder, Mar. 31st     |     |     |          | 22        | „         | 25   |
| „ „ „ ticket-user, Mar. 31st             |     |     |          | 39        | „         | 35   |
| Fines for overdue books                  | ... | ... | £69/19/4 | last year | £65/0/9   |      |
| Sale of Catalogues                       | ... | ... | £12/4/0  | „         | nil       |      |
| Books replaced                           | ... | ... | ...      | 216       | last year | 115  |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders |     |     |          | 9682      | „         | 8776 |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                                     |     |       |   |       |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-------|---|-------|
| Issues in all sections (see page 4) | ... | 20279 | „ | 13948 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-------|---|-------|

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |     |       |      |       |        |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|--------|
| Lending Department       | ... | ... | added | 502  | total | 20894  |
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | „     | 506  | „     | 15851  |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ... | „     | 128  | „     | 4428   |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | „     | 1136 | „     | *41173 |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | „     | 1502 | „     | 40503  |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |     |   |     |   |      |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|---|-----|---|------|
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | „ | 238 | „ | 3498 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ... | „ | 173 | „ | 5672 |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | „ | 411 |   | 9170 |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | „ | 216 |   | 8759 |

## PERCENTAGES—

|                                  |        |                          |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Lending Stock (20894 volumes)    | 18·27  | per cent. of Population. |
| Issues (128411)                  | 112·30 | „                        |
| Ticket-holders, Mar. 31st (5875) | 5·14   | „                        |
| Total Stock (41173)              | 36·01  | „                        |

\* 41639 less 466, see footnote on previous page.

*Occupations of Borrowers.*

|                           |     |     |                         |     |     |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|-----|
| Accountants...            | ... | 2   | Brought forward         | 367 |     |
| Agents                    | ..  | 4   | Grocers                 | ... | 6   |
| Apprentices               | ... | 7   | Housekeepers            | ... | 8   |
| Assistants                | ... | 37  | Inland Revenue Officers |     | 3   |
| Bakers                    | ... | 2   | Ironmongers             | ... | 2   |
| Blacksmiths...            | ... | 2   | Ironworkers...          | ... | 2   |
| Bookbinders, Folders, &c. |     | 7   | Journalists             | ... | 6   |
| Bookseller and Stationer  |     | 2   | Labourers               | ... | 14  |
| Boot and Shoe Makers      |     | 25  | Laundresses             | ... | 6   |
| Bricklayers               | ... | 2   | Licensed Victuallers    | ... | 4   |
| Brushmaker and Drawer     |     | 2   | Machinists              | ... | 19  |
| Butchers                  | ... | 6   | Managers                | ... | 6   |
| Caretakers                | ... | 2   | Mechanics               | ... | 2   |
| Carpenters and Joiners    |     | 15  | Merchants               | ... | 5   |
| Cashiers                  | ... | 2   | Milliners               | ... | 5   |
| Chairmakers               | ... | 3   | Ministers               | ... | 3   |
| Chemists                  | ... | 2   | Musicians               | ... | 4   |
| Clerks                    | ... | 81  | Nurses                  | ... | 5   |
| Clickers                  | ... | 8   | Organ Builders          | ... | 6   |
| Coach Builders            | ... | 4   | Packers                 | ... | 6   |
| Coachman and Groom        |     | 2   | Painters and Plumbers   |     | 8   |
| Confectioners             | ... | 3   | Paper Folders           | ... | 2   |
| Cracker Makers            | ... | 2   | Photographers           | ... | 3   |
| Cutters                   | ... | 6   | Physicians              | ... | 4   |
| Dealers                   | ... | 2   | Porters                 | ... | 6   |
| Decorators                | ... | 2   | Printers                | ... | 16  |
| Drapers                   | ... | 13  | Saddlers                | ... | 2   |
| Dressmakers               | ... | 30  | Salesmen                | ... | 2   |
| Domestic Servants         | ... | 8   | Scholars                | ... | 202 |
| Electricians              | ... | 4   | Seamstresses            | ... | 2   |
| Engineers                 | ... | 11  | Shopkeepers             | ... | 6   |
| Errand, Office, &c., Boys |     | 25  | Soldiers                | ... | 4   |
| Finishers                 | ... | 12  | Stonemasons             | ... | 2   |
| Fitters                   | ... | 26  | Surveyors               | ... | 3   |
| Foremen                   | ... | 2   | Tailors and Tailoresses |     | 33  |
| Gardeners                 | ... | 4   | Teachers                | ... | 59  |
| Carried forward           |     | 367 | Carried forward         |     | 833 |



|                           |     |                     |      |
|---------------------------|-----|---------------------|------|
| Brought forward           | 833 | Brought forward     | 854  |
| Telegraph Messengers      | 4   | Warehousemen ...    | 7    |
| Telegraphists and Typists | 6   | Watchmakers ...     | 3    |
| Travellers ...            | 7   | Weavers and Winders | 6    |
| Upholsterers ...          | 2   | Miscellaneous ...   | 122  |
| Waiter and Waitress ...   | 2   | Not stated ...      | 260  |
| Carried forward           | 854 | Total               | 1252 |

### *Ages of Borrowers.*

|                       |     | Borrowers from<br>Dec. 1, 1877, to<br>May 31, 1897. |     | New Borrowers<br>in 1903-4. |     | Borrowers since<br>May 31, 1897. |     |
|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|-----|
| Above 13 and under 20 | ... | 8884                                                | ... | 631                         | ... | 4508                             | ... |
| „ 20 „ 25             | ... | 2537                                                | ... | 169                         | ... | 1645                             | ... |
| „ 25 „ 30             | ... | 1736                                                | ... | 103                         | ... | 1142                             | ... |
| „ 30 „ 35             | ... | 1223                                                | ... | 97                          | ... | 854                              | ... |
| „ 35 „ 40             | ... | 902                                                 | ... | 65                          | ... | 586                              | ... |
| „ 40 „ 45             | ... | 635                                                 | ... | 46                          | ... | 479                              | ... |
| „ 45 „ 50             | ... | 423                                                 | ... | 27                          | ... | 293                              | ... |
| „ 50 „ 55             | ... | 353                                                 | ... | 19                          | ... | 219                              | ... |
| „ 55 „ 60             | ... | 195                                                 | ... | 14                          | ... | 141                              | ... |
| „ 60 ...              | ... | 437                                                 | ... | 29                          | ... | 328                              | ... |
| Not stated            | ... | 1250                                                | ... | 52                          | ... | 951                              | ... |
| Totals                | ... | 18575                                               | ... | 1252                        | ... | 11146                            | ... |

### *Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.*

| Years.           | Tickets<br>Issued. | New Borrowers. |                            | Borrowers since<br>May 31, 1897. |       |
|------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|
| 1897-8           | 3546               | 3529           | (1788 females, 1741 males) | ...                              | 3529  |
| 1898-9           | 1609               | 1360           | ( 645 „ 715 „ )            | ...                              | 4889  |
| 1899-1900...     | 1928               | 1295           | ( 603 „ 692 „ )            | ...                              | 6184  |
| 1900-01          | 2151               | 1338           | ( 625 „ 713 „ )            | ...                              | 7522  |
| 1901-2           | 1971               | 1180           | ( 538 „ 642 „ )            | ...                              | 8702  |
| 1902-3—          |                    |                |                            |                                  |       |
| To July 31, 469  | ...                | 243            | ( 100 „ 143 „ )            | }                                | 9894  |
| To Mar. 31, 4462 | ...                | 949            | ( 391 „ 558 „ )            |                                  |       |
| 1903-4           | 1860               | 1252           | ( 561 „ 691 „ )            | ...                              | 11146 |
| Totals           | 17996              | 11146          | ( 5251 „ 5895 „ )          |                                  |       |

The Borrowers to May 31, 1897, from December 1, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males—to whom had been issued 59394 tickets.

*Wards wherein Borrowers Resided.*

|        |            | Population<br>in 1901. |     | New Borrowers<br>in 1903-4. | Borrowers since<br>May 31, 1897. |
|--------|------------|------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1.     | Conisford  | ... 5540               | ... | 67                          | ... 707                          |
| 2.     | Ber Street | ... 8100               | ... | 57                          | ... 472                          |
| 3.     | Mancroft   | ... 3960               | ... | 47                          | ... 554                          |
| 4.     | Westwick   | ... 6385               | ... | 88                          | ... 861                          |
| 5.     | Coslany    | ... 6580               | ... | 66                          | ... 491                          |
| 6.     | Fye Bridge | ... 7455               | ... | 70                          | ... 497                          |
| 7.     | Thorpe     | ... 5950               | ... | 78                          | ... 675                          |
| 8.     | Lakenham   | ... 6001               | ... | 44                          | ... 442                          |
| 9.     | Town Close | ... 6341               | ... | 86                          | ... 649                          |
| 10.    | Eaton      | ... 11387              | ... | 176                         | ... 1581                         |
| 11.    | Nelson     | ... 6805               | ... | 64                          | ... 855                          |
| 12.    | Earlham    | ... 6341               | ... | 82                          | ... 958                          |
| 13.    | Heigham    | ... 6650               | ... | 53                          | ... 439                          |
| 14.    | Wensum     | ... 6230               | ... | 39                          | ... 425                          |
| 15.    | Catton     | ... 9171               | ... | 112                         | ... 767                          |
| 16.    | Mousehold  | ... 8832               | ... | 123                         | ... 773                          |
| Totals |            | ... 111728             |     | 1252                        | 11146                            |

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1074; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.

The Lending and Reference Departments are open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Sundays, Thursdays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Bank Holidays; and the Reading Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Sundays (when it is from 3 to 9 p.m.), Christmas Day, and Good Friday.

*Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1903-4.*

| Months,<br>1903-4. | Days<br>Open. | Art,<br>Science,<br>and<br>Political<br>Economy. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspondence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and<br>Miscellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Natural<br>History. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...          | 19            | 289                                              | 133                                 | 66                      | 8638     | 321                       | 593                                             | 66                   | 88                  | 10194              | 537                         |
| May ...            | 22            | 255                                              | 161                                 | 78                      | 8798     | 286                       | 610                                             | 61                   | 65                  | 10314              | 469                         |
| June ...           | 21            | 226                                              | 140                                 | 62                      | 7770     | 293                       | 555                                             | 61                   | 68                  | 9175               | 435                         |
| July ...           | 22            | 262                                              | 122                                 | 54                      | 7931     | 235                       | 511                                             | 56                   | 55                  | 9226               | 419                         |
| August ...         | 21            | 206                                              | 111                                 | 56                      | 7820     | 239                       | 490                                             | 64                   | 63                  | 9049               | 431                         |
| September ...      | 22            | 204                                              | 131                                 | 77                      | 9151     | 261                       | 529                                             | 63                   | 38                  | 10454              | 475                         |
| October ...        | 22            | 300                                              | 152                                 | 76                      | 10592    | 300                       | 532                                             | 69                   | 67                  | 12088              | 549                         |
| November ...       | 21            | 256                                              | 129                                 | 85                      | 9728     | 291                       | 495                                             | 54                   | 46                  | 11084              | 528                         |
| December ...       | 20            | 263                                              | 137                                 | 66                      | 9080     | 218                       | 547                                             | 47                   | 27                  | 10385              | 519                         |
| January ...        | 22            | 280                                              | 124                                 | 58                      | 10955    | 225                       | 680                                             | 51                   | 34                  | 12407              | 564                         |
| February ...       | 21            | 243                                              | 138                                 | 72                      | 10371    | 306                       | 600                                             | 61                   | 34                  | 11825              | 563                         |
| March ...          | 22            | 222                                              | 140                                 | 70                      | 10658    | 318                       | 694                                             | 61                   | 47                  | 12210              | 555                         |
| Totals ...         | 255           | 3006                                             | 1618                                | 820                     | 111492   | 3293                      | 6836                                            | 714                  | 632                 | 128411             | 504                         |
| Percentages '03-4  | ...           | 2.34                                             | 1.26                                | 0.64                    | 86.82    | 2.57                      | 5.32                                            | 0.56                 | 0.49                | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages '02-3  | ...           | 3.19                                             | 1.40                                | 0.78                    | 84.54    | 3.05                      | 5.75                                            | 0.63                 | 0.66                | ...                | ...                         |

*Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1903-4.*

| Years.                | Days open. | Art, Science, and Political Economy. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Natural History. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ...      | 1275       | 4790                                 | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                  | 1675              | 2279             | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ...   | 1265       | 8661                                 | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                  | 1381              | 3069             | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...  | 1170       | 13047                                | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                  | 2282              | 4455             | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 ...            | 232        | 2304                                 | 1298                          | 726               | 68678    | 3261                | 8918                                   | 465               | 705              | 86355         | 372                   |
| 1894-5 ...            | 235        | 2555                                 | 1099                          | 640               | 75413    | 2676                | 9207                                   | 577               | 563              | 92730         | 395                   |
| 1895-6 ...            | 236        | 2354                                 | 1365                          | 649               | 73650    | 3367                | 8041                                   | 468               | 526              | 90440         | 382                   |
| 1896-7 ...            | 233        | 2190                                 | 1002                          | 588               | 75555    | 2882                | 6655                                   | 487               | 516              | 89875         | 386                   |
| 1897-8 (to May 31)    | 46         | 423                                  | 260                           | 116               | 15320    | 662                 | 1408                                   | 121               | 134              | 18444         | 401                   |
| To May 31, 1897       | 4692       | 36324                                | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                 | 7456              | 12247            | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13) | 137        | 1719                                 | 796                           | 493               | 46125    | 1528                | 3989                                   | 343               | 286              | 55139         | 402                   |
| 1898-9 ...            | 258        | 3286                                 | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                   | 666               | 590              | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ...         | 235        | 2931                                 | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                   | 777               | 563              | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ...           | 232        | 3324                                 | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                   | 741               | 651              | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ...            | 232        | 3328                                 | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                   | 711               | 845              | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3 ...            | 237        | 3580                                 | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                | 6450                                   | 704               | 735              | 112112        | 473                   |
| 1903-4 ...            | 255        | 3006                                 | 1618                          | 820               | 111492   | 3293                | 6836                                   | 714               | 632              | 128411        | 504                   |
| Totals ...            | 6278       | 57498                                | 37215                         | 18006             | 1623483  | 78771               | 218351                                 | 12112             | 16549            | 2061985       | 328                   |
| Percentages ...       | ...        | 2.79                                 | 1.81                          | 0.87              | 78.73    | 3.82                | 10.59                                  | 0.59              | 0.80             | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26 instead of January 1; and in 1899 it closed March 31 instead of March 25. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13, 1897. See note on page 13.

*Monthly Issues of Books from 1878 to 1903-4.*

| Years.                | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. | April. | May.  | June.  | July.  | Aug.   | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Totals. |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1878 to *1882         | 1354   | 13986  | 15145  | 14828  | 14455 | 13359  | 14392  | 6327   | 6774   | 11713  | 13995  | 14144  | 152272  |
| 1883 to 1887-8        | 35193  | 35006  | 38062  | 27961  | 28962 | 26590  | 26622  | 8981   | 27101  | 31064  | 30725  | 28725  | 344992  |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3      | 39522  | 39113  | 36408  | 37968  | ...   | 33899  | 41689  | 41867  | 39571  | 45067  | 42453  | 42748  | 445305  |
| 1893-4                | 7745   | 6706   | 6657   | 7353   | ...   | 7572   | 8182   | 8027   | 7997   | 9383   | 8216   | 8317   | 86355   |
| 1894-5                | 8453   | 8060   | 8235   | 7636   | ...   | 7614   | 8307   | 8306   | 8109   | 9218   | 8687   | 10105  | 92730   |
| 1895-6                | 8494   | 8117   | 7526   | 7593   | ...   | 7234   | 7881   | 8648   | 7968   | 9007   | 8865   | 9137   | 90440   |
| 1896-7                | 8214   | 8494   | 7648   | 7541   | ...   | 7706   | 8174   | 8113   | 7527   | 8943   | 8297   | 9218   | 89875   |
| 1897-8 (to May 31)    | 10215  | 8229   | ...    | ...    | ...   | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ..     | 18444   |
| To May 31, 1897       | 125532 | 122136 | 106423 | 109075 | 15308 | 102900 | 117010 | 119681 | 114041 | 129965 | 125610 | 132732 | 1320413 |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13) | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...   | 4031   | 8186   | 8515   | 7905   | 9530   | 9089   | 7883   | 55139   |
| 1898-9                | 9412   | 8734   | 8231   | 8419   | 8033  | 8606   | 9380   | 8929   | 8646   | 10008  | 9607   | 12091  | 110096  |
| 1899-1900             | 10428  | 10000  | 8845   | 8766   | ...   | 9257   | 9536   | 9662   | 8585   | 10689  | 10052  | 11473  | 107293  |
| 1900-01               | 9782   | 10062  | 9623   | 9243   | ...   | 10014  | 11345  | 10752  | 10099  | 11274  | 10714  | 12035  | 114973  |
| 1901-2                | 10586  | 10009  | 9534   | 8914   | ...   | 9632   | 10541  | 11515  | 10050  | 11439  | 10706  | 10622  | 113548  |
| 1902-3                | 10535  | 10277  | 8561   | 9042   | ..    | 9635   | 10182  | 10189  | 10005  | 11728  | 10666  | 11292  | 112112  |
| 1903-4                | 10194  | 10314  | 9175   | 9226   | 9049  | 10454  | 12088  | 11084  | 10385  | 12407  | 11825  | 12210  | 128411  |
| Totals                | 186469 | 181532 | 160392 | 162685 | 32390 | 164559 | 188268 | 190327 | 179716 | 207040 | 198269 | 210338 | 2061985 |
| Percentages           | 9'03   | 8'80   | 7'78   | 7'89   | 1'57  | 7'98   | 9'12   | 9'22   | 8'71   | 10'09  | 9'61   | 10'20  | ...     |

\* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven weeks extra. See note on page 12.



*A Selection from the Additions to the Library  
during 1903-4.*

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Axon's Echoes of Old Lancashire. Boy's and Girl's Own Reciters. Bradley's Highways and Byways in South Wales. Brodrick's (G. C.) Memories and Impressions, 1831-1900. Bryce's Studies in Contemporary Biography. Codrington's Roman Roads in Britain. Crosland's Unspeakable Scot. Cumberland's Thought Reader's Thoughts. Dana's Corals and Coral Islands. Danziger's Jewish Forerunners of Christianity. Davids's Buddhist India. Diosy's New Far East. Dorothy Osborne's Letters to Sir W. Temple. Edser's Light, for Students. Elliott's Engineering for Land Drainage. Ellis's Study of British Genius. Escott's British Sovereigns in the Century. Foster and Porter's Electricity and Magnetism. Francklin's Utility Fowls. Göhre's Evangelical-Social Movement in Germany. Gordon's Alien Immigrant. Gregory's (B.) Autobiographical Recollections, &c. Haldane's Education and Empire. Harper's Bath, Great North, Norwich, and other Roads; with Stage Coach and Mails in Days of Yore. Hearn's Kokoro, Japanese Inner Life. Henley's Book of Verses. Hillier's Prevention of Consumption. Horne's Popular History of the Free Churches. Jackson's Gordon League Ballads. Jenks's Parliamentary England. John Clifford, by C. T. Bateman. Jude's Physics, Experimental and Theoretical. Kearton's Wild Nature's Ways. Keller's (Helen) Story of My Life; with Her Letters. Lawrence's Life of Henry Fielding. Lecky's Peeps at Parliament. Legge's Sunny Manitoba. Marie Corelli, the Writer and the Woman. Masheder's Dissent and Democracy. Maurer's Technical Mechanics. McIntyre's Giordano Bruno. Mediæval Towns: Story of Bruges, of Cairo, Florence, Rouen, and Toledo. Miall's Round the Year. Modern Socialism as set forth by Socialists. Morley's English Writers to Shakespeare and His Time under James I. (11 vols.). O'Rell's Rambles in Womanland. Palmer's Origines Liturgicæ, or Antiquities of English Ritual. Paul's History of Modern England. Picciotto's Sketches of Anglo-Jewish History. Plunkett's Ireland in the New Century. Reich's Foundations of Modern Europe. Rogers and Millar's Old Age Pensions, Pro and Con. Rogers's Social Life in Scotland from Early to Recent Times. Root's Trade Relations of the British Empire. Rowntree and Sherwell's Public Control of the



Liquor Traffic. Shaw's Common Sense of Municipal Trading. Stables's Girl's Own Book of Health and Beauty. Storey's Sketches from Memory. Streatfield's Lincolnshire and the Danes. Toynbee's Industrial Revolution of the 18th Century in England. Wallace's Man's Place in the Universe. Ware's Educational Foundations of Trade and Industry. Wells's Mankind in the Making. Weinstock's Jesus the Jew. Wernle's Beginnings of Christianity. Woodworth's Christian Socialism in England. Yonge's Life of Bishop Patteson.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Ashton's Romances of Chivalry. Blunt's Annotated Book of Common Prayer. Booth's (C.) Life and Labour in London: Series 2, Industry; Series 3, Religious Influences. Brown's The Arts in Early England: Life of Saxon England in its Relation to the Arts; and Ecclesiastical Architecture. Cambridge Modern History: The Renaissance; and United States. Cassell's Book of Sports and Pastimes; and History of the Boer War, 1899-1902. Catalogue of Parliamentary Papers, 1801-1900. Century Cyclopedia of Names. Clerke's Problems in Astrophysics. Coin Collector's Guide to Copper Coins and Medals (1797). Collection of 17th Century Maps (4 vols.). Darlow and Moule's Historical Catalogue of Printed Editions of the Bible. De Thevenot's Travels into the Levant (1687). Digest of the Census of England and Wales, 1901. Flora and Sylva, Review for Lovers of Garden, &c. Furniss's Confessions of a Caricaturist. Geikie's Ancient Volcanoes of Great Britain. Hampson's Dates, Charters, and Customs of the Middle Ages. Jewitt and Hall's Stately Homes of England. Journal of the British Archaeological Association (40 vols.). Journal of the Royal Archaeological Institute (32 vols.). Johnston's Nile Quest. Lee's Glossary of Liturgical and Ecclesiastical Terms. Lineham's Text Book of Mechanical Engineering. Madden's Layamon's Brut, or Chronicle of Britain. Marshall's Index to Pedigrees. Martin's Catalogue of Privately Printed Books. Morley's Life of William Ewart Gladstone. Mosely Industrial Commission to the United States, 1902: Reports. Pitman's Business Man's Guide. Religious Life of London, edited by R. Mudie-Smith. Shakespearian—Collins's Studies in Shakespeare; Harting's Birds of Shakespeare; Hughes's Praise of Shakespeare. Sickness and Mortality Experience of Manchester Unity of Oddfellows, 1893-7. Speed's Historie of Great Britaine (1633). Spurgeon's Treasury of David. State Papers and Documents of the United States from

Washington's Accession (4 vols., 1819). Story of the World's Worship. Swan's Dictionary of Contemporary Quotations (English). Tissot's Life of Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Twentieth Century Impressions of Western Australia. Uzanne's Fashion in Paris from 1797 to 1897. Vinegar Bible, large paper copy. Vuillier's History of Dancing. Weale's Quarterly Papers on Architecture (1844-5).

Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board of Trade and Trade Marks Journals, Early English Text, Palæontographical, and Ray Societies' Publications; Historical Manuscripts Commission's Reports, Indexes to Periodical Literature, New English and other Dictionaries, Parliamentary Debates (including those of the Australian Commonwealth), and Public General Acts; also Proceedings and Reports of the British Association, Co-operative Congress, Egypt Exploration Fund, Royal Colonial Institute, Royal Geographical Society, and Smithsonian Institution. The following are periodically bound:—Daylight, Eastern Daily Press, Norfolk Daily Standard, Norwich Mercury, Times (daily edition, and Index thereto purchased as published), the leading Illustrated Magazines and Newspapers, and Literary, Professional, and Religious Journals.

The Trustees of the British Museum have kindly forwarded Catalogues of Additions to the MSS. in 1894-9; of Birds' Eggs, vol. 3; Books, MSS., Maps, and Drawings (Natural History), vol. 1; Early German and Flemish Woodcuts, vol. 1; Leech Collection of Palæarctic Butterflies; Lepidoptera Phalænæ, vol. 4; Madreporarian Corals, vol. 4; and of the Printed Books, 7 parts. First Report on Economic Zoology. Guides to Early Christian and Byzantine Antiquities; to Exhibition Galleries; and to First and Second Egyptian Rooms. Also Hand-List of Birds, vol. 4; Monographs of the Culicidæ, or Mosquitoes, vol. 3, and of the Tsetse-Flies; and Subject Index of Modern Works added in 1891-1900, vols. 2 and 3.

## LOCAL COLLECTION.

Accounts of a Norfolk Estate, 1756-67. Armes's Port of King's Lynn. Blue and White Dwarf, Weekly Political Messenger, 1818. Boutell's Christian Monuments in England and Wales. Burges's Conservative Standard of the British Empire (1835). Cambridge's Thirty Years in Australia. Catalogue of Herald's Visitations, etc., in the British Museum, edited by H. Nicolas. Chronicle of Jocelin of Brakelond, edited by E. Clarke. Cornish's Life at the Zoo. Craw-

furd's *Recollections of James Martineau*. Dutt's *Norfolk Broads*. Eller's *Memorials of West Winch Manors*. Gallwey's *Book of Duck Decoys*. Garnier's *First Book on Church Principles*. Guildhall Court of Record Rules, Costs, Forms, etc., 1742-3 and 1780. Gurney's *List of Diurnal Birds of Prey*; with notes from the "Ibis." Harrison (C. H.), *Broadland Artist*. Isaacson's *Rome in Many Lands*. Keppel's *Life of Viscount Augustus Keppel*. Klein's *Thirty Years of Musical Life in London, 1870-1900*. Lord Walsingham's *Pterophoridae of California and Oregon*. Martineau's *National Duties, and other Sermons and Addresses*. *My Life in Mongolia and Siberia*, by the Bishop of Norwich. Paget's *Selected Essays and Addresses*. Patterson's *Story of Primitive Methodism in Yarmouth*. Raven's *Church Bells of Cambridgeshire*. Ready's *Life and Sport in China*. Seebohm's *Memoirs of William Forster*. Willis's *Baconian Mint*. Wright's *Life of Edward Fitzgerald*.

There have also been added as published, by presentation, or as special opportunities to purchase arose—Co-operative Monthly Herald, East Anglian Notes and Queries, Fenland Notes and Queries, Norfolk and Norwich Archæological and Naturalists' Societies' Transactions, Norfolk and Norwich Notes and Queries, Norfolk Parish Registers (Marriages), Norwicensian, Norwich Diocesan Gazette, and Parish Magazines; Statements of Accounts, &c., of the Corporation, County Council, and Guardians; and Engravings, Etchings, Maps, Old Newspapers, Pamphlets, Portraits, Views, &c., of a specially local nature.

## REPORTS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES.

Annual Reports of similar Libraries have been received, the figures denoting the number of the Report and apparent age of the Library:—Aberdeen 19, Ashton-under-Lyne 9, Barrow-in-Furness 20, Belfast 15, Birmingham 41, Blackburn, Bolton 50, Bradford 33, Brighton, Buxton 14, Cambridge 48, Cardiff 41, Carlisle 9, Cheltenham 18, Clitheroe 25, Colchester 8, Derby 32, Falmouth 8 and 9, Gloucester 4, Gosport and Alverstock 12, Hanley 16, Hove 11, Kettering 7, Leicester 32, Lincoln 9—London: Battersea 16, Ealing 20, Finsbury, Fulham 15, Hammersmith, Hornsey 4, Kilburn 10, Kensal Rise, Leyton, Shoreditch 12, Wandsworth (including six Libraries), Westminster (including three Libraries.)—Longton 12, Newcastle-upon-Tyne 22, Perth 5, Plymouth 26, Portsmouth 19, Preston 23, Richmond 22, Salford 55, Smethwick, Southampton 14, St. Helens 25,

Tottenham, Twickenham 21, Tynemouth 33, Walthamstow 8, West Bromwich 29, Wigan 25, Wimbledon 16, Worcester, Yarmouth 17, York 10. Also recent reports from the Bodleian Library, Oxford; New York Public Library, Nicholson Institute, Leek; St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, Stirling's and Glasgow Public Library, and the Public Library of New South Wales, Sydney.

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*The following Magazines, Reviews, Newspapers, Directories, &c., are placed in the Reading Rooms. Those marked \* are placed in the Women's Reading-Room, and those marked † are presented.*

## ANNUALLY.

- †Australian Year-Book
- Baptist Handbook
- Cambridge University Calendar
- Catholic Year Bk. and Directory
- Church of England Year-Book
- Civil Service Year-Book
- Congregational Year-Book
- Crockford's Clerical Directory
- †Durham University Calendar
- Gardening Year-Book
- Hazell's Annual
- Jewish Year-Book
- London University Calendar
- Municipal Year-Book
- Oxford University Calendar
- Reformers' Year Book
- Schoolmasters Year-Book
- Statesman's Year-Book
- †University Corres. Coll. Calendar
- Year's Art

## QUARTERLY.

- Edinburgh Review
- \*Englishwoman's Review
- Hibbert Journal
- Journal of Board of Agriculture
- Navy List
- †Puritan
- Quarterly Review

## MONTHLY.

- Army List
- Art Journal
- Atlantic Monthly
- Blackwood's Edinburgh Magaz.
- \*†British Food Journal
- †Building Society's Gazette
- Burlington Magazine
- C. B. Fry's Magazine
- †Canadian Patent Office Record
- \*Cassell's Fam. Mag. (1 in Men's)
- Cassier's Magazine
- \*Century Illustrated
- \*Chambers's Journal (1 in Men's)
- \*†Child's Guardian
- \*†Church of England Gazette
- \*†Commonwealth
- \*†Concord (1 in Men's) [Prices
- Connoisseur; and Supp., Sale

## MONTHLY (continued).

- Contemporary Review
- Cornhill Magazine
- †Cottager and Artizan
- †Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Jour.
- †Educational Times
- \*English Illustrated Magazine
- \*†Epicure
- †Fire and Water
- Foresters' Miscellany
- Fortnightly Review
- †Free Russia
- Gentleman's Magazine
- \*Girl's Own Paper
- Good Words
- \*†Goodwill
- \*Harper's Magazine
- †Herald of Peace
- \*Household Words
- Idler
- Independent Review
- †Insurance Agent and Review
- †Inventors' Review
- †Jewish Missionary Intelligence
- †Journal of Professional
- †Labour Gazette [Musicians
- Leisure Hour
- †London, Seaside, and Country
- Longman's Magazine
- Macmillan's Magazine
- Magazine of Art
- Magazine of Commerce
- \*†Mercury Training Ship Mag. (1
- \*†Mercy and Truth [in Men's
- Monthly Review
- \*†Musical Herald
- \*Musical Times
- National Review
- †National Service Journal
- †Nature Notes
- Nineteenth Century
- †Patents
- †Personal Rights Journal
- †Plumber and Decorator
- †Positivist
- \*†Primrose League Gazette
- Public Works
- Quiver
- †Rehabite and Temp. Magazine
- Review of Reviews

MONTHLY (*continued*).

- \*Scribner's Magazine
- †State Correspondent
- Strand Magazine
- \*Sunday at Home
- \*†Sunday Closing Reporter
- \*†Sunday League Advocate
- Sunday Magazine
- Symons's Meteorological Magazine
- Temple Bar [zine]
- \*†Tract Magazine
- †Travel
- \*Vegetarian
- \*†Vegetarian Messenger
- †Warrant Officers' Naval Journal
- Westminster Review
- Woodworker
- †Young Journalist and Author
- Zoologist
- †Zoophilist

## TRI-WEEKLY.

Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart

## BI-WEEKLY.

- \*†Norwich Mercury (1 in Men's)
- I given

## WEEKLY.

- Academy
- †Alliance News
- Army and Navy Gazette
- Athenæum
- Australasian
- †Board of Trade Journal
- Boot and Shoe Trades Journal
- †Boston Independent
- Boy's Own Paper
- Builder
- Building News
- Cage Birds
- †Canadian Gazette
- †Carpenter and Builder
- Cassell's Saturday Journal
- †Catholic Times
- †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.
- \*†Christian World (2 in Men's)
- Church Times [I given]
- †Civil Service Aspirant
- †Civil Service Candidate
- †Civil Service Competitor
- †Civil Service Gazette
- †Colliery Guardian
- \*†Co-operative News (1 in Men's)
- \*†Cromer and North Walsham Post
- \*†Daylight (2 in Men's), I given
- Drapers' Record
- \*†Eastern Counties Times

WEEKLY (*continued*).

- \*†Eastern Weekly Press
- Electrical Review
- Electrician
- Engineer
- Engineering
- †English Churchman
- English Mechanic
- Era
- \*Family Herald; and Supplement
- Feathered World
- Field
- Gardeners' Magazine
- †Gardening World
- \*Graphic (1 in Men's)
- Great Thoughts
- Grocer
- †Guardian
- \*Illus. London News (1 in Men's)
- †Illus. Official Journal (Patents)
- Invention
- Investors' Review
- †Journal of Society of Arts
- Judy
- \*†Lady's Gazette
- \*Lady's Pictorial
- Land and Water
- †Literary World
- †Local Government Chronicle
- †Local Government Journal
- †Lowestoft Journal
- †Lowestoft Standard
- Lynn Advertiser
- Mechanical World
- \*†Midland Counties Herald
- †Motor Cycle
- Municipal Journal
- Nature
- Newcastle Chronicle
- \*†Norfolk Chron. (1 Men's), I given
- \*†Norfolk News (1 Men's) I given
- \*†Norfolk Weekly Standard and Argus (1 in Men's), I given
- Notes and Queries
- \*†People's Weekly Journal
- Phonetic Journal
- †Pilot
- †Poor Law Officers' Journal
- †Present Truth
- Public Health Engineer
- Public Opinion
- \*Punch (1 in Men's)
- \*Queen
- Saturday Review
- †School Board Chronicle
- \*School Guardian



## WEEKLY (continued).

Schoolmaster  
 \*Schoolmistress  
 Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List  
 †Shoe and Leather Record  
 †Shop Assistant  
 Speaker  
 Spectator  
 Sunday Sun  
 †Tablet  
 †Tailor and Cutter  
 Timber Trades Journal  
 Trade Marks Journal  
 †Tradesman and Shopkeeper  
 Truth  
 †University Correspondent  
 Volunteer Service Gazette  
 Westminster Budget  
 \*†Worcester Herald  
 Work  
 Yarmouth Independent  
 \*Young Ladies' Journal

## DAILY.

Birmingham Post  
 Chronicle  
 East Anglian Times  
 \*†Eastern Daily Press (1 in Men's,  
 1 also in Lobby), 1 given  
 †Eastern Evening News (1 also in  
 Lobby), 1 given  
 Echo (in Lobby)  
 †Express  
 Manchester Guardian  
 †Montreal Gazette  
 News  
 †Norfolk Standard (1 in Men's, 1  
 also in Lobby)  
 Pall Mall Gazette  
 \*Standard (1 in Men's)  
 Star (in Lobby)  
 \*Telegraph (1 in Men's)  
 Times  
 Westminster Gazette  
 Yorkshire Post

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

|                                 |                                 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Bradshaw; and Continental       | †London and North Western       |
| †Caledonian. †Highland          | †London and South Western       |
| †Cook's Traveller's Gazette     | †London, Brighton, and S. Coast |
| †Glasgow and South Western      | †Midland                        |
| †Great Central                  | †North British                  |
| †Great Eastern; and Continental | †North Eastern                  |
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| †Great Western                  | †South Eastern and Chatham      |

(All except Bradshaw's, Cook's, Fletcher's, and Jarrold's in Lobby.)

## KELLY'S DIRECTORIES.

|                                  |                               |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Beds, Hunts, and Northants       | Lancashire, except Liverpool  |
| Berks, Bucks, and Oxon           | and Manchester; with Gore's   |
| Birmingham, Staffs, Warwick-     | Liverpool and Suburbs, and    |
| shire, and Worcestershire        | Slater's Manchester, Salford, |
| Cambs, Norfolk, and Suffolk      | and Suburban                  |
| Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rut- | Lincolnshire, with Hull and   |
| land, and Notts                  | Neighbourhood [Suburbs        |
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| Durham and Northumberland        | Somersetshire and Gloucester- |
| Essex, Herts, and Middlesex      | shire, with Bristol           |
| Hants, Wilts, and Dorsetshire    | Yorks (West Riding; and North |
| Kent, Surrey, and Sussex         | and East Ridings, with York)  |

Advertiser's A B C; and Practical Advertising  
 Atlantic Cable Directory and Code Book; Thom's Official Directory  
 Business Directory of London and Provincial and Foreign Trade Guide  
 Eastern Counties Business and International Mercantile Directories  
 Kelly's Directory of Merchants, Manufacturers, and Shippers  
 Kelly's Handbook to the Titled, Landed, and Official Classes  
 Patents for Inventions—Abridgments of Specifications  
 Stubbs's Directory of Great Britain and the Continent

## FREE LIBRARY

*Revenue Account for the Year***Expenditure.**

|                                                                                     | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| To Salaries—Librarian ... ..                                                        | 150 | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Sub-Librarian ... ..                                                                | 100 | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Assistants ... ..                                                                   | 340 | 7  | 9  |      |    |    |
| Charwoman ... ..                                                                    | 20  | 16 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                     |     |    |    | 611  | 3  | 9  |
| Loan—Interest ... ..                                                                | 38  | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Sinking Fund ... ..                                                                 | 52  | 13 | 1  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                     |     |    |    | 91   | 3  | 1  |
| Insurance ... ..                                                                    | 12  | 4  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Books Purchased ... ..                                                              | 180 | 12 | 5  |      |    |    |
| Binding Books ... ..                                                                | 98  | 10 | 5  |      |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals ... ..                                                   | 114 | 12 | 6  |      |    |    |
| Catalogues ... ..                                                                   | 43  | 5  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery ... ..                                                      | 22  | 17 | 8  |      |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows ... ..                                                             | 10  | 18 | 0  |      |    |    |
| General Repairs and Cleaning ... ..                                                 | 11  | 4  | 7  |      |    |    |
| Electric Light ... ..                                                               | 82  | 7  | 11 |      |    |    |
| Gas, Water, and Fuel ... ..                                                         | 22  | 13 | 9  |      |    |    |
| Attendance of Librarian at Annual Meeting of<br>Library Association at Leeds ... .. | 3   | 5  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Overhauling, Winding, and Cleaning Clocks ... ..                                    | 2   | 10 | 11 |      |    |    |
| Librarian's Disbursements ... ..                                                    | 8   | 16 | 2  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                     |     |    |    | 613  | 18 | 4  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure                                        |     |    |    | 317  | 18 | 6  |
|                                                                                     |     |    |    | 1634 | 3  | 8  |

*Fines Account for the Year*

|                                                             | £  | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection | 28 | 5  | 9  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure ...            | 41 | 13 | 7  |
|                                                             | 69 | 19 | 4  |

## BALANCE SHEET—

**Liabilities.**

|                                                 | £    | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|------|----|----|
| To Sundry Creditors ... ..                      |      |    |    | 127  | 19 | 11 |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1903 ... ..        | 1174 | 5  | 5  |      |    |    |
| Do. for the current year ... ..                 | 317  | 18 | 6  |      |    |    |
|                                                 |      |    |    | 1492 | 3  | 11 |
| Fines Account—Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1903 | 103  | 15 | 3  |      |    |    |
| Do. for the current year ... ..                 | 41   | 13 | 7  |      |    |    |
|                                                 |      |    |    | 145  | 8  | 10 |
|                                                 |      |    |    | 1765 | 12 | 8  |

## FUND.

*ended 31st March, 1904.***Income.**

|                                                                                                                                  | £     | s. | d. | £ | s.   | d.   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|---|------|------|
| By Sale of Catalogues ... ..                                                                                                     | 12    | 4  | 0  |   |      |      |
| Borrowers' Tickets ... ..                                                                                                        | 8     | 2  | 8  |   |      |      |
| Papers ... ..                                                                                                                    | 0     | 19 | 6  |   |      |      |
| Post Cards, &c. ... ..                                                                                                           | 4     | 7  | 10 |   |      |      |
| Lavatory ... ..                                                                                                                  | 0     | 19 | 8  |   |      |      |
|                                                                                                                                  | <hr/> |    |    |   | 26   | 13 8 |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1903, included in Precept dated 23rd December, 1902 ... ..                      | 400   | 0  | 0  |   |      |      |
| Rate equal to ½d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1903, included in Precept dated 23rd June, 1903 ... .. | 805   | 0  | 0  |   |      |      |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1904, included in Precept dated 22nd December, 1903... ..                    | 402   | 10 | 0  |   |      |      |
|                                                                                                                                  | <hr/> |    |    |   | 1607 | 10 0 |

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*ended 31st March, 1904.*

|                 | £     | s. | d. |
|-----------------|-------|----|----|
| By Fines ... .. | 69    | 19 | 4  |
|                 | <hr/> |    |    |
|                 | 69    | 19 | 4  |

## REVENUE ACCOUNT.

**Assets.**

|                                  | £     | s. | d. | £ | s.   | d.   |
|----------------------------------|-------|----|----|---|------|------|
| By Cash in hand—Treasurer ... .. | 1755  | 12 | 8  |   |      |      |
| Librarian ... ..                 | 10    | 0  | 0  |   |      |      |
|                                  | <hr/> |    |    |   | 1765 | 12 8 |

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1765 12 8

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## FORM OF BEQUEST.

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*(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

*I bequeath\**

\* Books, Pictures, or  
other objects of Art  
or Interest.

*to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personal Estate; and I further direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Committee.

## NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

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Area of the City—7,582 Acres.  
 Estimated Population of the City, in middle of 1903—114,351.  
 Rateable Value of the City, 1904—£430,614.  
 Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1903—£1,610.  
 Libraries Act Adopted—1850.  
 Library Opened—March, 1857.  
 Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1901.  
 Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.  
 Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—  
     Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.  
 Reading-Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.  
 Books Issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.  
 Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.  
 Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.  
 Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.  
     "      "      December, 1903, 40,906 Books, 9,070 Pamphlets.  
     "      "      per cent. of population—December, 1877, 4'35.  
     "      "      "                    "      December, 1903, 35'77.  
 Issues for Home Reading—December, 1877, 1,100.  
     "      "      December, 1903, 10,385.  
     "      "      Total since 1877, 2,061,985.





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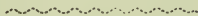
THE REPORT

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# CITY OF NORWICH.

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## THE REPORT

OF THE

## FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Year ending March 31st, 1905,

TO

## THE TOWN COUNCIL.

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# COMMITTEE.

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THE MAYOR—HENRY Z. T. FLOWERS, Esq.

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*City Accountant*—A. F. GENTRY

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*City Engineer*—A. E. COLLINS

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*Librarian*—J. GEO. TENNANT.

*Sub-Librarian*—L. R. HAGGERSTON.

*Senior Assistants*—J. FINCH AND R. LLOYD.

*Junior Assistants*—G. LONG AND V. SPINKS.

*Reading-Room Attendants*—W. H. HALL, AND M. KELTY (*Sundays*).

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Committee Meetings at the Library, at 4 p.m., on the second Wednesday  
in each month.

Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.

## REPORT, 1904-5.

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THE Free Library Committee, in submitting their Report for the past year, are pleased to note that the extension of the building so long contemplated is now in progress, the tender of Mr. J. S. Smith for the sum of £1,547 having been accepted. This addition will, they trust, add greatly to the usefulness of the Library and the comfort and convenience of the public when completed. Some inconvenience will necessarily be caused to both the public and the staff during the progress of some portion of the work, and it is probable one or two departments may have to be closed for a short period. Some thousands of books will be displaced and their re-arrangement required.

In October last Mr. Joseph Allen, an old and valued member of the Committee, tendered his resignation, which the Committee with regret accepted; and a vote of thanks was passed to him for his long and valuable services.

The Lending Department has been open 255 days; and the number of borrowers holding tickets on the 31st of March was 7,042. The issues have numbered 125,485, a decrease upon last year of 2,926—Fiction decreased 3,142, four other sections 1,302; Magazines and Miscellaneous increased 1,506

and Poetry 12. The stock of books is now 21,914, an increase of 1,020, of which 237 have been transferred from the Reference Department. The average daily issues were 492. Fines for overdue books amounted to £65 17s. 10d.

The Catalogue for this department, including the books added to the close of 1904, has been prepared, and the printing thereof is being considered.

By resolution of the Committee, books can now be renewed once by borrowers for a further term without returning them to the Library for that purpose.

The stock of books in the Reference Department, inclusive of 4,507 in the Local Collection, is 20,575 ; and there are also 9,536 Pamphlets, about 5,800 of a local character—the books added numbering 296 and pamphlets 366. The issues in all sections were 11,678, being of Biography 554, Fiction 30, History and Travel 654, Science, Art, and Natural History 1,623, Poetry 311, Magazines and Miscellaneous 5,494, Law and Theology 509, and of the Local Collection 2,503.

With the valuable assistance of Mr. Walter Rye, a card catalogue of the local books and pamphlets has been in preparation. A Card Cabinet has been purchased, and most of the cards have already been type-written and placed therein. Mr. Rye has also presented (from his own collection) several works the Library did not possess. For his kind services and donations the thanks of the Council have been voted to Mr. Rye.

The special loans from the Reference Department resulted in the issue of 228 books, 41 pamphlets, and 20 portraits. No loss or damage has been reported.



The chief Donors to the Library during the year have been Messrs. J. & J. Colman, the Agents-General for the Colonies, the Smithsonian Institution, the Patent Office, Mr. J. H. Gurney, Mr. H. F. Euren, Mr. Walter Rye, and Dr. A. H. Mann.

Books on Japan specially sent from Cambridge, with others from the Library, were set aside for the use of the students attending the University Extension Lectures.

Notices of the principal additions have been published monthly through the continued kindness of the Press.

Overdate newspapers and periodicals (7,408) have been sent to the workhouse, discarded books to the City Asylum and Workhouse, and illustrated papers to the "Children's Homes."

Bi-quarterly countings of persons using the reading-rooms on Sundays gave an average of 265—210 men and 55 women. The hourly countings on weekdays gave a total of 157,679 present in the men's room and 30,670 in the women's—a daily average for the 311 days of 606—irrespective of the many readers of newspapers in the lobby.

THOMAS S. BREESE,

*Chairman.*

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The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1904-5 ; but further particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues, and selections of books, &c., and the donors, may be found on pages 8 to 18.

#### LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 21914 volumes ; being in—

|                                       |    |       |      |       |       |
|---------------------------------------|----|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History     | .. | added | 154  | total | 2889  |
| Biography and Correspondence          | .. | „     | 82   | „     | 1974  |
| Poetry and Drama                      | .. | ..    | 30   | „     | 829   |
| Fiction                               | .. | ..    | 172  | „     | 7124  |
| History and Travel                    | .. | ..    | 107  | „     | 2827  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous | .. | „     | 422  | „     | 5351  |
| Law and Theology                      | .. | ..    | 53   | „     | 920   |
| <hr/>                                 |    |       |      |       |       |
| Totals                                | .. | ..    | 1020 | „     | 21914 |
| „ last year                           | .. | ..    | 502  | „     | 20894 |

Days opened .. .. . 255 last year 255

#### Borrowers—

|                                        |      |   |      |
|----------------------------------------|------|---|------|
| Tickets issued (new 1157, renewed 790) | 1947 | „ | 1554 |
| Holding Tickets, March 31st            | 7042 | „ | 5875 |
| Using Tickets, March 31st              | 3285 | „ | 3267 |

Issues, 125485 (127637 volumes) ; being in—

|                                       |        |          |       |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------|-------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History     | 3332   | decrease | 306   |
| Biography and Correspondence          | 1452   | „        | 166   |
| Poetry and Drama                      | 832    | increase | 12    |
| Fiction                               | 108350 | decrease | 3142  |
| History and Travel                    | 2564   | „        | 729   |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous | 8342   | increase | 1506  |
| Law and Theology                      | 613    | decrease | 101   |
| <hr/>                                 |        |          |       |
| Totals                                | 125485 | „        | 2926  |
| „ last year                           | 128411 | increase | 16299 |

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                          |                     |          |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Average daily issues .. .. .             | 492 last year       | 503      |
| „ issues to ticket-holder, Mar. 31st     | 18 „                | 22       |
| „ „ ticket-user, Mar. 31st               | 38 „                | 39       |
| Fines for overdue books .. .. .          | £65/17/10 last year | £69/19/4 |
| Sale of Catalogues .. .. .               | £7/1/5 „            | £12/4/0  |
| Books replaced .. .. .                   | 243 last year       | 216      |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders | 10872 „             | 9682     |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                                             |                |      |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|------|
| Issues in all sections (see page 4) .. .. . | 11678 decrease | 2757 |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|------|

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                                  |                |      |
|----------------------------------|----------------|------|
| Lending Department .. .. .       | 21914 increase | 1020 |
| Reference Department .. .. .     | *16068 „       | 217  |
| Ditto (Local Collection) .. .. . | 4507 „         | 79   |
|                                  | —              | —    |
| Totals .. .. .                   | 42489 „        | 1316 |
| „ last year .. .. .              | 41173 „        | 1136 |

## Pamphlets—

|                                  |        |     |
|----------------------------------|--------|-----|
| Reference Department .. .. .     | 3703 „ | 205 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) .. .. . | 5833 „ | 161 |
|                                  | —      | —   |
| Totals .. .. .                   | 9536 „ | 366 |
| „ last year .. .. .              | 9170 „ | 411 |

## PERCENTAGES—

|                                  |                               |   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Lending Stock (21914 volumes) .. | 18'97 per cent. of Population |   |
| Issues (125485) .. .. .          | 108'61 „                      | „ |
| Ticket-holders, Mar. 31st (7042) | 6'09 „                        | „ |
| Total Stock (42489) .. .. .      | 36'77 „                       | „ |

\* 15,851 less 237 transferred to Lending Department, and 454 added, 1906'S.

# *Occupations of Borrowers.*

|                             |     |                               |      |
|-----------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|------|
| Agents .. .. .              | 6   | Brought forward               | 371  |
| Apprentices .. ..           | 10  | Hairdressers .. ..            | 3    |
| Architect and Draughtsman   | 2   | Housekeepers .. ..            | 5    |
| Artists and Photographer    | 3   | Inland Revenue Officers ..    | 2    |
| Assistants .. .. .          | 52  | Jewellers and Watchmakers     | 6    |
| Bakers .. .. .              | 5   | Labourers .. .. .             | 13   |
| Blacksmiths .. ..           | 2   | Licensed Victuallers .. ..    | 3    |
| Bookbinders .. ..           | 3   | Machinists .. .. .            | 13   |
| Boot and Shoe Makers ..     | 39  | Managers .. .. .              | 12   |
| Boxmakers .. .. .           | 2   | Manufacturers .. ..           | 5    |
| Brushmakers .. ..           | 5   | Mechanics .. .. .             | 2    |
| Butchers .. .. .            | 3   | Milliners .. .. .             | 4    |
| Cabinet Makers .. ..        | 6   | Ministers .. .. .             | 7    |
| Carman and Carter .. ..     | 2   | Musicians .. .. .             | 2    |
| Carpenters and Joiner ..    | 9   | Mustard and Starch Makers     | 3    |
| Chemists and Druggist ..    | 6   | Nurses .. .. .                | 5    |
| Choristers .. .. .          | 2   | Organ Builders .. ..          | 5    |
| Cigar and Cigarette Makers  | 2   | Packers .. .. .               | 13   |
| Clerks .. .. .              | 66  | Painters .. .. .              | 3    |
| Clickers .. .. .            | 6   | Pattern Makers .. ..          | 2    |
| Coachmen and Groom ..       | 3   | Picture Frame Makers          | 2    |
| Confectioners .. ..         | 4   | Plasterers .. .. .            | 2    |
| Cutters .. .. .             | 2   | Plumber and Glazier .. ..     | 2    |
| Dentist and Doctor .. ..    | 2   | Printers .. .. .              | 17   |
| Domestic Servants .. ..     | 25  | Prison Officers .. ..         | 2    |
| Drapers .. .. .             | 5   | Salesmen .. .. .              | 3    |
| Dressmakers .. .. .         | 30  | Scholars .. .. .              | 196  |
| Electrical Engineers .. ..  | 4   | Shopkeepers .. .. .           | 7    |
| Electricians .. .. .        | 4   | Tailors and Tailoresses .. .. | 30   |
| Engineers .. .. .           | 6   | Teachers .. .. .              | 44   |
| Engravers .. .. .           | 3   | Telephone Operators .. ..     | 2    |
| Errand, Office, &c., Boys   | 15  | Travellers .. .. .            | 4    |
| Finishers and Fitters .. .. | 28  | Warehousemen .. ..            | 5    |
| Gardeners .. .. .           | 4   | Miscellaneous .. ..           | 82   |
| Grocers .. .. .             | 5   | Not stated .. .. .            | 280  |
| <hr/> Carried forward       |     | <hr/> Total                   |      |
|                             | 371 |                               | 1157 |

*Ages of Borrowers.*

|                       |    |     |     | Borrowers from<br>Dec. 1, 1877, to<br>May 31, 1897. |     |     | New Borrowers<br>in 1904-5. | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31, 1897. |       |
|-----------------------|----|-----|-----|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Above 13 and under 20 |    |     |     | ... 8884                                            | ... | ... | 569                         | ...                                 | 5077  |
| „                     | 20 | „   | 25  | ... 2537                                            | ... | ... | 157                         | ...                                 | 1802  |
| „                     | 25 | „   | 30  | ... 1736                                            | ... | ... | 108                         | ...                                 | 1250  |
| „                     | 30 | „   | 35  | ... 1223                                            | ... | ... | 85                          | ...                                 | 939   |
| „                     | 35 | „   | 40  | ... 902                                             | ... | ... | 52                          | ...                                 | 638   |
| „                     | 40 | „   | 45  | ... 635                                             | ... | ... | 41                          | ...                                 | 520   |
| „                     | 45 | „   | 50  | ... 423                                             | ... | ... | 24                          | ...                                 | 317   |
| „                     | 50 | „   | 55  | ... 353                                             | ... | ... | 20                          | ...                                 | 239   |
| „                     | 55 | „   | 60  | ... 195                                             | ... | ... | 10                          | ...                                 | 151   |
| „                     | 60 | ... | ... | ... 437                                             | ... | ... | 28                          | ...                                 | 356   |
| Not stated            |    |     |     | ... 1250                                            | ... | ... | 63                          | ...                                 | 1014  |
| Totals                |    |     |     | ... 18575                                           |     |     | 1157                        |                                     | 12303 |

*Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.*

| Years.      | Tickets<br>Issued. |       | New Borrowers. |       |                            |       | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31, 1897. |  |
|-------------|--------------------|-------|----------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1897-8      | ...                | 3546  | ...            | 3529  | (1788 females, 1741 males) | ...   | 3529                                |  |
| 1898-9      | ...                | 1609  | ...            | 1360  | ( 645 „ 715 „ )            | ...   | 4889                                |  |
| 1899-1900   | ...                | 1928  | ...            | 1295  | ( 603 „ 692 „ )            | ...   | 6184                                |  |
| 1900-01     | ...                | 2151  | ...            | 1338  | ( 625 „ 713 „ )            | ...   | 7522                                |  |
| 1901-2      | ...                | 1971  | ...            | 1180  | ( 538 „ 642 „ )            | ...   | 8702                                |  |
| 1902-3—     |                    |       |                |       |                            |       |                                     |  |
| To July 31, |                    | 469   | ...            | 243   | ( 100 „ 143 „ )            | } ... | 9894                                |  |
| To Mar.31   |                    | 4462  | ...            | 949   | ( 391 „ 558 „ )            |       |                                     |  |
| 1903-4      | ..                 | 1860  | ...            | 1252  | ( 561 „ 691 „ )            | ...   | 11146                               |  |
| 1904-5      | ...                | 1947  | ...            | 1157  | ( 506 „ 651 „ )            | ...   | 12303                               |  |
| Totals      |                    | 19943 |                | 12303 | (5757 „ 6546 „ )           |       |                                     |  |

The Borrowers to May 31, 1897, from December 1, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males—to whom had been issued 59394 tickets.

*Wards wherein Borrowers Resided.*

|        |            |    | Population<br>in 1901. | New Borrowers<br>in 1904-5. |    |     | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31, 1897. |      |
|--------|------------|----|------------------------|-----------------------------|----|-----|-------------------------------------|------|
| 1.     | Conisford  | .. | 5540                   | ..                          | .. | 53  | ..                                  | 760  |
| 2.     | Ber Street | .. | 8100                   | ..                          | .. | 52  | ..                                  | 524  |
| 3.     | Mancroft   | .. | 3960                   | ..                          | .. | 55  | ..                                  | 609  |
| 4.     | Westwick   | .. | 6385                   | ..                          | .. | 65  | ..                                  | 926  |
| 5.     | Coslany    | .. | 6580                   | ..                          | .. | 59  | ..                                  | 550  |
| 6.     | Fye Bridge | .. | 7455                   | ..                          | .. | 46  | ..                                  | 543  |
| 7.     | Thorpe     | .. | 5950                   | ..                          | .. | 104 | ..                                  | 779  |
| 8.     | Lakenham   | .. | 6001                   | ..                          | .. | 38  | ..                                  | 480  |
| 9.     | Town Close | .. | 6341                   | ..                          | .. | 78  | ..                                  | 727  |
| 10.    | Eaton      | .. | 11387                  | ..                          | .. | 158 | ..                                  | 1739 |
| 11.    | Nelson     | .. | 6805                   | ..                          | .. | 72  | ..                                  | 927  |
| 12.    | Earlham    | .. | 6341                   | ..                          | .. | 68  | ..                                  | 1026 |
| 13.    | Heigham    | .. | 6650                   | ..                          | .. | 40  | ..                                  | 479  |
| 14.    | Wensum     | .. | 6230                   | ..                          | .. | 33  | ..                                  | 458  |
| 15.    | Catton     | .. | 9171                   | ..                          | .. | 136 | ..                                  | 903  |
| 16.    | Mousehold  | .. | 8832                   | ..                          | .. | 100 | ..                                  | 873  |
| Totals |            | .. | 11728                  | 1157                        |    |     | 12303                               |      |

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1074; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.

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The Lending and Reference Departments are open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Sundays, Thursdays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Bank Holidays; and the Reading-Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Sundays (when it is from 3 to 9 p.m.), Christmas Day, and Good Friday.



*Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1904-5.*

| Months,<br>1904-5. | Days<br>open. | Science,<br>Art,<br>and<br>Natural<br>History. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspond-<br>ence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and<br>Miscellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|--------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...          | 20            | 254                                            | 126                                      | 86                      | 9637     | 244                       | 542                                             | 51                   | 10940              | 547                         |
| May ...            | 21            | 254                                            | 126                                      | 65                      | 8417     | 207                       | 530                                             | 63                   | 9662               | 460                         |
| June ...           | 21            | 231                                            | 115                                      | 70                      | 7989     | 164                       | 603                                             | 51                   | 9223               | 439                         |
| July ...           | 22            | 278                                            | 85                                       | 50                      | 8065     | 158                       | 590                                             | 48                   | 9214               | 419                         |
| August ...         | 22            | 253                                            | 102                                      | 68                      | 8097     | 168                       | 661                                             | 42                   | 9391               | 427                         |
| September ...      | 21            | 289                                            | 116                                      | 67                      | 8627     | 198                       | 743                                             | 39                   | 10079              | 480                         |
| October ...        | 22            | 274                                            | 136                                      | 79                      | 9270     | 264                       | 727                                             | 56                   | 10806              | 491                         |
| November ...       | 22            | 309                                            | 141                                      | 76                      | 9128     | 232                       | 734                                             | 47                   | 10667              | 485                         |
| December ...       | 20            | 237                                            | 107                                      | 52                      | 8845     | 177                       | 758                                             | 45                   | 10221              | 511                         |
| January ...        | 22            | 289                                            | 118                                      | 74                      | 10070    | 222                       | 883                                             | 53                   | 11709              | 532                         |
| February ...       | 20            | 301                                            | 128                                      | 65                      | 9730     | 248                       | 743                                             | 53                   | 11268              | 563                         |
| March ...          | 22            | 363                                            | 152                                      | 80                      | 10535    | 282                       | 828                                             | 65                   | 12305              | 559                         |
| Totals ...         | 255           | 3332                                           | 1452                                     | 832                     | 108350   | 2564                      | 8342                                            | 613                  | 125485             | 492                         |
| Percentages 1904-5 | ...           | 2.66                                           | 1.16                                     | 0.66                    | 86.34    | 2.04                      | 6.65                                            | 0.49                 | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages 1903-4 | ...           | 2.34                                           | 1.26                                     | 0.64                    | 86.82    | 2.57                      | 5.32                                            | 0.56                 | ...                | ...                         |

*Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1904-5.*

| Years.                    | Days open. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|---------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ..           | 1275       | 7069                               | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                  | 1675              | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ..        | 1265       | 11730                              | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                  | 1381              | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892 3 ..       | 1170       | 17502                              | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                  | 2282              | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May) ..   | 982        | 12270                              | 5024                          | 2719              | 308616   | 12868               | 34229                                  | 2118              | 377844        | 385                   |
| To May 31, 1897 ..        | 4692       | 48571                              | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                 | 7456              | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (from Sept. 13) .. | 137        | 2005                               | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                | 3989                                   | 343               | 55139         | 402                   |
| 1898-9 ..                 | 258        | 3876                               | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                   | 666               | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ..              | 235        | 3494                               | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                   | 777               | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ..                | 232        | 3975                               | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                   | 741               | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ..                 | 232        | 4173                               | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                   | 711               | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3 ..                 | 237        | 4315                               | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                | 6450                                   | 704               | 112112        | 473                   |
| 1903-4 ..                 | 255        | 3638                               | 1618                          | 820               | 111492   | 3293                | 6836                                   | 714               | 128411        | 504                   |
| 1904-5 ..                 | 255        | 3332                               | 1452                          | 832               | 108350   | 2564                | 8342                                   | 613               | 125485        | 492                   |
| Totals ..                 | 6553       | 77379                              | 38667                         | 18838             | 1751833  | 81335               | 226693                                 | 12725             | 2187470       | 335                   |
| Percentages ..            |            | 3.54                               | 1.77                          | 0.86              | 79.17    | 3.72                | 10.36                                  | 0.58              | ..            | ..                    |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26 instead of January 1; and in 1899 it closed March 31 instead of March 25. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13, 1897. See note on page 13.

*Monthly Issues of Books from 1878 to 1904-5.*

| Years.                | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. | April. | May.  | June.  | July.  | Aug.   | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Totals. |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1878 to *1882 ...     | 13154  | 13986  | 15145  | 14828  | 14455 | 13359  | 14392  | 6327   | 6774   | 11713  | 13995  | 14144  | 152272  |
| 1883 to 1887-8 ...    | 35193  | 35006  | 38062  | 27961  | 28962 | 26590  | 26622  | 8981   | 27101  | 31064  | 30725  | 28725  | 344992  |
|                       | April. | May.   | June.  | July.  | Aug.  | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. |         |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...  | 39522  | 39113  | 36408  | 37968  | ...   | 38899  | 41689  | 41867  | 39571  | 45067  | 42453  | 42748  | 445305  |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May)  | 43221  | 39606  | 30066  | 30093  | ...   | 30126  | 32544  | 33094  | 31601  | 36551  | 34165  | 36777  | 377844  |
| To May 31, 1897..     | 125532 | 122136 | 106423 | 109075 | 15308 | 102900 | 117010 | 119681 | 114041 | 129965 | 125610 | 132732 | 1320413 |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13) | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...   | 4031   | 8186   | 8515   | 7905   | 9530   | 9089   | 7883   | 55139   |
| 1898-9 ...            | 9412   | 8734   | 8231   | 8419   | 8033  | 8606   | 9380   | 8929   | 8646   | 10008  | 9607   | 12091  | 110096  |
| 1899-1900 ...         | 10428  | 10000  | 8845   | 8766   | ...   | 9257   | 9536   | 9662   | 8585   | 10689  | 10052  | 11473  | 107293  |
| 1900 01 ...           | 9782   | 10062  | 9623   | 9243   | ...   | 10014  | 11345  | 10752  | 10099  | 11274  | 10714  | 12035  | 114973  |
| 1901-2 ...            | 10586  | 10009  | 9534   | 8914   | ...   | 9632   | 10541  | 11515  | 10050  | 11439  | 10706  | 10622  | 113548  |
| 1902-3 ...            | 10535  | 10277  | 8561   | 9042   | ...   | 9635   | 10182  | 10189  | 10005  | 11728  | 10666  | 11292  | 112112  |
| 1903-4 ...            | 10194  | 10314  | 9175   | 9226   | 9049  | 10454  | 12088  | 11084  | 10385  | 12407  | 11825  | 12210  | 128411  |
| 1904-5 ...            | 10940  | 9662   | 9223   | 9214   | 9391  | 10079  | 10306  | 10667  | 10221  | 11709  | 11268  | 12305  | 125485  |
| Totals ...            | 197409 | 191194 | 169615 | 171899 | 41781 | 174638 | 199074 | 200994 | 189937 | 218749 | 209537 | 222643 | 2187470 |
| Percentages ...       | 9.03   | 8.74   | 7.76   | 7.86   | 1.91  | 7.98   | 9.10   | 9.19   | 8.67   | 10.00  | 9.58   | 10.18  | ..      |

\* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven, weeks extra. See note on page 12.

*A Selection from the Additions to the Library  
during 1904-5.*

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Abbey's Church of God and the Gates of Hell. Alden's *The Unemployed*. Asakawa's *Russo-Japanese Conflict: Its Causes and Issues*. Atkinson's *First Studies of Plant Life*. Bradley's *Lectures on Shakespearean Tragedy*. Brande's *Henrik Ibsen* and B. Bjornson. Brightwen's *Quiet Hours with Nature*. *British Journal of Photography*, 1853-96. Burns's *Temperance in the Victorian Age*. Burch's *Manual of Electrical Science*. Candler's *Unveiling of Lhasa*. Carpenter's *Towards Democracy*. Chamberlain's *Things Japanese*. Churton's *Early English Church*. Clausen's *Six Lectures on Painting to Students in 1904*. Clifford's *Christian Certainties*. Cohn's *Introduction to Scientific Chemistry*. Cooper's *Quaint Talks about Long Walks*. Cuff's *Sunny Memories of Australasia*. Day's *Ornament and Its Application*. De Blowitz's *My Memoirs*. Devine's *Principles of Relief*. Digby's *Natural Law in Terrestrial Phenomena*. Duncan's *Life of Joseph Cowen*. Dutt's *The King's Homeland*. Eddy's *Science and Health*. Fischer's *Structure and Functions of Bacteria*. Fiske's *Idea of God as Affected by Modern Knowledge*. Fison's *Recent Advances in Astronomy*. Gibbons's *Africa from South to North*. Gipsy Smith: *His Life and Work*. Grinfield's *The Jesuits, Historical Sketch*. Hall's *Soul of a People*. Hann's *Handbook of Climatology*. Harnack's *Sources of Apostolic Canons*. Hartman's *Japanese Art*. Harvey's *Biology of British Politics*. Heilprin's *Alaska and the Klondike*. Herbart's *Science of Education*. Herman's *Treatise on Geometrical Optics*. Hobson's *International Trade*. Hogarth's *Penetration of Arabia*. *Ideals of Science and Faith*, by various authors. *Japan by the Japanese*. Kendal's *History of Watches, &c.* *Life of Dean Farrar*. Lodge's *Pioneers of Science*. Lupke's *Elements of Electro-Chemistry*. Macgowan's *Pictures of Southern China*. Maeterlinck's *The Double Garden*. McMillan's *Education Through the Imagination*. Meakin's *Land of the Moors*. Morley's *Life of William Ewart Gladstone*. Neele's *Railway Reminiscences*. Nicholson's *History of the English Corn Laws*. Osborne's *Life of Father Dolling*. Palmer's *Musical Recollections*. Patterson's *Notes of an East Coast Naturalist*. Pease's *Case for Municipal Drink Trade*. Pratt's *Organisation of Agriculture*. *Protection in Germany, in Canada and Australasia*,

and in the United States. Robertson's Essays in Sociology. Sabatier's Religions of Authority and Religion of the Spirit. Sanger's Compensation and Temperance Reform. Sellers's Danish Poor Relief System. Selous's Romance of the Animal World. Smith's Free Trade and Protection. Squire's Mythology of the British Islands. Stephens's Higher Life for Working People. Stoddart's Philosophy of Language. Studies of Boy Life in Our Cities. Suess's Face of the Earth. Thompson's Housing Handbook. Townsend's Chemistry for Photographers. Weale's Manchu and Muscovite. Webb's Industrial Democracy. Whetham's Recent Development of Physical Science. Williams's Careers for Our Sons. Williams's Christ Within, &c. Winch's Notes on German Schools. Yeo's Food in Health and Disease.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Adams's Dictionary of the Drama. Barnes's Studies in Education. Bartholomew's Survey Atlas of England and Wales. Bauer's Precious Stones. British Association Report for 1903; and Indices to the British Association Reports, 1831-90. Calendar of Letter Books of City of London, 1337-52. Cartwright's Life and Art of Sandro Botticelli. Cassell's Dictionary of English History and Popular Science. Doman's Production and Use of Acetylene Gas. Encyclopædia Biblica. Fox-Strangways and Woodward's Jurassic Rocks of Britain. Girdlestone's Student's Deuteronomy. Hall's Adolescence. Hutchison's Food and Principles of Dietetics. Jukes-Browne and Hill's Cretaceous Rocks of Britain. Knight's Business Encyclopædia and Legal Adviser. Laxton's Builder's Price Book, 1905. Les Artistes Célebres (sketches by French authors). Marr's Housing Conditions in Manchester and Salford. Millais's Mammals of Great Britain. New South Wales Statistical Register for 1902, and Mining Report for 1903. Pierce and Wheeler's Dickens Dictionary. Pilling's Land Tenure by Registration. Records of the Society for Propagation of the Gospel, 1701-1892. Reports on the Canadian Experimental Farms for 1903. Robertson's Courses of Study. Robinson's Garden Design. Rogers's History of Agriculture and Prices in England (concluding volume). Singleton's French and English Furniture. Social England, 6 vols. Sparrow's British Home of To-day: Architecture and Applied Arts. Stone's Timbers of Commerce and Their Identification. Sweden: Its People and Its Industry. The Brothers Dalziel: Record of Fifty Years' Work, 1840-90. The Gospels in Art. The



Royal Academy from Reynolds to Millais. Thomas's Foreign Trade in Coal, 1850-1900. Turner's *Liber Studiorum*. Twopenny's English Metal Work. West's Monograph of the British Desmidiaceæ. Women Painters of the World from the 15th Century. Year-Book of Photography, 1864-93.

Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board of Trade and Trade Marks Journals, British Numismatic, Cambridge Antiquarian, Early English Text, Palæontographical, Ray, and Zoological Societies' Publications; Historical Manuscripts Commissions' Reports, Indexes to Periodical Literature, New English and other Dictionaries, Parliamentary Debates (including those of the Australian Commonwealth), and Public General Acts; also Proceedings and Reports of the British Association, Co-operative Congress, Egypt Exploration Fund, Royal Colonial Institute, Royal Geographical Society, Smithsonian Institution, and Viking Club. The following are periodically bound:—Daylight, Eastern Daily Press, Norfolk Daily Standard, Norwich Mercury, Times (daily edition, and Index thereto purchased as published), the leading Illustrated Magazines and Newspapers, and Literary, Professional, and Religious Journals.

The Trustees of the British Museum have kindly forwarded Catalogues of Books, MSS., Maps, and Drawings (Natural History), vol. 2; of Greek and Roman Sculpture, vol. 3; of Mesozoic Plants, the Jurassic Flora, part 2; and of Printed Books, 9 parts. Guides to Antiquities of the Bronze Age; to English Pottery and Porcelain; and to Third and Fourth Egyptian Rooms. Also History of Natural History Collections, vol. 1; Index to the Sloane MSS.; Introduction to the Study of Meteorites; and Second Report on Economic Zoology.

### LOCAL COLLECTION.

Amherst's Egyptian History from Earliest Times. Bacon's Sermons at the Assizes in 1804. Barnard's Conversations (1834). Bibliotheca Norfolciana, 1681 (a catalogue of books given by Henry, Duke of Norfolk to the Royal Society). Brady's Complete History of England (1684-5). Cambridge's Hymns on the Holy Communion. Companions to Moore's Almanack—Crisp's, 1843; Dutton's, 1826; Fletcher's, 1846; Jarrold's, 1839-42 and 1845; and Kitton's, 1836. Eastern Morning Gazette, September, 1902, to January, 1904, all published. Enigmatical Repository (1827). Gaul's The Months: 12 Duets. Geikie's English Reformation. Goulburn's Idle Word, and Thoughts on



Passages of Scripture. Hensby's Thoughts on Various Subjects (1764). Household Book of Sir Robert Buxton, 1790-1811. Hunter's Letters from Mrs. Palmerstone to her Daughter (1803). Kitton's Papers on the Diatomaceæ. Life of Dean Prideaux ; with Tracts and Letters (1748). Mackie's Norfolk Annals, 1801-1900. Memoir of Life, Writings, &c., of E. Pearson, 1756-1811. Newton's Psalmody Improved (1775). Norfolk and Norwich Gentleman's Memorandum Book, 1804. Robinson's My Nature Notebook, and In the King's County. Rye's Indexes to the City Leases, Books, &c., of Norwich. Sketch of Life and Labours of W. J. Hooker, by His Son. Snowden's Alexipharmacon Spirituale, 1689. The Fiske Family Papers, by H. Fiske. Works of Sir Thomas Browne, edited by C. Sayle.

There have also been added as published, by presentation, or as special opportunities to purchase arose—Co-operative Monthly Herald, East Anglian Notes and Queries, Fenland Notes and Queries, Norfolk and Norwich Archæological and Naturalists' Societies' Transactions, Norfolk and Norwich Notes and Queries, Norwich Diocesan Gazette, and Parish Magazines; Statements of Accounts, &c., of the Corporation, County Council, and Guardians ; and Engravings, Etchings, Maps, Old Newspapers, Pamphlets, Portraits, Views, &c., of a specially local nature.

## REPORTS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES.

Annual Reports of similar Libraries have been received, the figures denoting the number of the Report and apparent age of the Library :—Aberdeen 20, Ashton-under-Lyne 10, Barrow-in-Furness 21, Belfast 16, Birmingham 42, Blackburn, Bootle 17, Bournemouth 11, Bradford 34, Brighton, Buxton 15, Cambridge 49, Cheltenham 19, Clitheroe 26, Colchester 9 and 10, Derby 33, Dundee, Folkestone 22, Gloucester 5, Gosport and Alverstoke 13, Hanley 17, Hove 12, Kettering 8, Leeds 34, Leicester 33, Liverpool 51—London : Battersea 17, Cripplegate Foundation 6 and 7, Ealing 21, Finsbury, Fulham 16, Hammersmith, Hornsey 5, Kilburn 11, Shoreditch 13, Wandsworth (including six Libraries), Westminster (including three Libraries), and West Ham—Longton 13, Newcastle-upon-Tyne 23, Perth 6, Plymouth 27, Portsmouth 20, Richmond 23, Salford 56, Smethwick, Southampton 15, St. Helen's 26, Tottenham, Twickenham 22, Tynemouth 34, Walthamstow 9, West Bromwich 30, Wigan 26, Wimbledon 17, Worcester, Workington, York 11. Also recent reports from the Bodleian Library, Oxford; Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore; New York Public Library,

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 Speaker  
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 Sunday Sun  
 T. P.'s Weekly  
 †Tablet  
 †Tailor and Cutter  
 Timber Trades Journal  
 †Trade Marks Journal  
 †Tradesman and Shopkeeper  
 Truth  
 †University Correspondent  
 Volunteer Service Gazette  
 \*†Worcester Herald  
 Work  
 Yarmouth Independent  
 \*Young Ladies' Journal

## DAILY.

Birmingham Post  
 Chronicle  
 East Anglian Times  
 \*†Eastern Daily Press (1 in Men's,  
 1 also in Lobby), 1 given  
 †Eastern Evening News (1 also in  
 Lobby), 1 given  
 Echo (in Lobby)  
 †Express  
 Manchester Guardian  
 †Montreal Gazette  
 News  
 †Norfolk Standard (1 in Men's, 1  
 also in Lobby)  
 Pall Mall Gazette  
 \*Standard (1 in Men's)  
 Star (in Lobby)  
 \*Telegraph (1 in Men's)  
 Times  
 Westminster Gazette  
 Yorkshire Post

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Bradshaw ; and Continental       | †London and North Western       |
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(*All except Bradshaw's, Fletcher's, and Jarrold's in Lobby.*)

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| Beds, Hunts, and Northants       | Lancashire, except Liverpool and |
| Berks, Bucks, and Oxon           | Manchester ; with Gore's         |
| Birmingham, Staffs, Warwick-     | Liverpool and Suburbs, and       |
| shire, and Worcestershire        | Slater's Manchester, Salford,    |
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| land, and Notts                  | Neighbourhood [Suburbs           |
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| Durham and Northumberland        | Somersetshire and Gloucester-    |
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Advertiser's A B C ; and Practical Advertising  
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 Business Directory of London and Provincial and Foreign Trade Guide  
 Eastern Counties Business and International Mercantile Directories  
 Kelly's Directory of Merchants, Manufacturers, and Shippers  
 Patents for Inventions—Abridgments of Specifications  
 Stubbs's Directory of Great Britain and the Continent

## Revenue Account for the Year Expenditure.

|                                                                                                                         | £     | s. | d. | £     | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|-------|----|----|
| To Salaries—Librarian .. .. .                                                                                           | 150   | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Sub-Librarian .. .. .                                                                                                   | 110   | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Assistants .. .. .                                                                                                      | 334   | 15 | 7  |       |    |    |
| Typist, 10 weeks .. .. .                                                                                                | 6     | 5  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Charwoman .. .. .                                                                                                       | 20    | 16 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                                                                                         | <hr/> |    |    | 621   | 16 | 7  |
| Loan—Interest .. .. .                                                                                                   | 38    | 6  | 8  |       |    |    |
| Sinking Fund .. .. .                                                                                                    | 52    | 13 | 1  |       |    |    |
|                                                                                                                         | <hr/> |    |    | 90    | 19 | 9  |
| Insurance .. .. .                                                                                                       | 12    | 4  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Books Purchased .. .. .                                                                                                 | 239   | 5  | 5  |       |    |    |
| Binding Books .. .. .                                                                                                   | 95    | 0  | 9  |       |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals .. .. .                                                                                      | 115   | 16 | 8  |       |    |    |
| Typewriter .. .. .                                                                                                      | 19    | 19 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery .. .. .                                                                                         | 21    | 17 | 10 |       |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows .. .. .                                                                                                | 10    | 18 | 0  |       |    |    |
| General Repairs, Cleaning, & Electric Fittings .. .. .                                                                  | 14    | 2  | 3  |       |    |    |
| Electric Light .. .. .                                                                                                  | 76    | 18 | 2  |       |    |    |
| Gas, Water, and Fuel .. .. .                                                                                            | 19    | 17 | 10 |       |    |    |
| Attendance of Librarian and Sub-Librarian<br>at Annual Meeting of Library Association at<br>Newcastle-upon-Tyne .. .. . | 5     | 18 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Winding, Regulating, &c., Clocks .. .. .                                                                                | 1     | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
| Librarian's Disbursements .. .. .                                                                                       | 7     | 15 | 10 |       |    |    |
|                                                                                                                         | <hr/> |    |    | 641   | 5  | 1  |
| Extension of Buildings—<br>Fee—Advising upon Plan .. .. .                                                               | 5     | 5  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Lithographing, Advertising, &c. .. .. .                                                                                 | 14    | 13 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                                                                                         | <hr/> |    |    | 19    | 18 | 0  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure                                                                            |       |    |    | 258   | 18 | 4  |
|                                                                                                                         |       |    |    | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                                                                                         |       |    |    | 1632  | 17 | 9  |
|                                                                                                                         |       |    |    | <hr/> |    |    |

## Fines Account for the Year

|                                                                | £     | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection .. | 18    | 16 | 0  |
| Cards and Typewriting—Preparation of Catalogue ..              | 13    | 1  | 3  |
| Balance being Excess Income over Expenditure .. ..             | 34    | 0  | 7  |
|                                                                | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                                | 65    | 17 | 10 |
|                                                                | <hr/> |    |    |

## Liabilities.

| Liabilities.                               |    |    |    | BALANCE |    |    | SHEET— |    |    |
|--------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---------|----|----|--------|----|----|
|                                            |    |    |    | £       | s. | d. | £      | s. | d. |
| To Sundry Creditors .. .. .                | .. | .. | .. |         |    |    | 138    | 14 | 3  |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1904 .. .. .  | .. | .. | .. | 1492    | 3  | 11 |        |    |    |
| Do. for the current year .. .. .           | .. | .. | .. | 258     | 18 | 4  |        |    |    |
|                                            |    |    |    | <hr/>   |    |    | 1751   | 2  | 3  |
| Fines Account—Revenue, 31st March, 1904 .. | .. |    |    | 145     | 8  | 10 |        |    |    |
| Do. for the current year .. .. .           | .. | .. | .. | 34      | 0  | 7  |        |    |    |
|                                            |    |    |    | <hr/>   |    |    | 179    | 9  | 5  |
|                                            |    |    |    | <hr/>   |    |    | 2069   | 5  | 11 |
|                                            |    |    |    | <hr/>   |    |    |        |    |    |

ended 31st March, 1905.

**Income.**

|                                                                                                                                                | £     | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Sale of Catalogues .. .. .                                                                                                                  | 7     | 1  | 5  |      |    |    |
| Borrowers' Tickets .. .. .                                                                                                                     | 8     | 14 | 1  |      |    |    |
| Papers .. .. .                                                                                                                                 | 1     | 18 | 9  |      |    |    |
| Post Cards, &c. .. .. .                                                                                                                        | 4     | 4  | 6  |      |    |    |
| Lavatory .. .. .                                                                                                                               | 0     | 19 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                                | <hr/> |    |    | 22   | 17 | 9  |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1904, included in Precept dated 22nd December, 1903 .. .. .                                   | 402   | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1904, included in Precept dated 21st June, 1904 .. .. . | 805   | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1905, included in Precept dated 20th December, 1904 .. .. .                                | 402   | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                                | <hr/> |    |    | 1610 | 0  | 0  |

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ended 31st March, 1905.

|                  | £  | s. | d. |
|------------------|----|----|----|
| By Fines .. .. . | 65 | 17 | 10 |

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**REVENUE ACCOUNT.****Assets.**

|                                   | £     | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Cash in hand—Treasurer .. .. . | 2059  | 5  | 11 |      |    |    |
| Librarian] .. .. .                | 10    | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                   | <hr/> |    |    | 2069 | 5  | 11 |

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## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

*(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

*I bequeath\**

*\*Books, Pictures, or  
other objects of Art  
or Interest.*

*to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personal Estate; and I further direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Committee.



## NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

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Area of the City—7,582 Acres.

Estimated Population of the City, in middle of 1904—115,538

Rateable Value of the City, 1904—£428,365.

Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1904—£1,610.

Libraries Act Adopted—1850.

Library Opened—March, 1857.

Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1901.

Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.

Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—

Commenced September, 1889 ; Ceased July, 1896.

Reading-Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.

Books Issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.

Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.

Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.

Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.

"     "     December, 1904, 42,064 Books (and 9,446 Pamphlets).

"     "     per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4·35.

"     "     "     "     December, 1904, 36·41

Issues for Home Reading—December, 1877, 1,100.

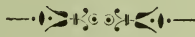
"     "     December, 1904, 10,221.

"     "     Total since 1877, 2,187,470





CITY OF NORWICH.



THE REPORT

OF THE

Free Library Committee

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## THE REPORT

OF THE

## FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Year ending March 31st, 1906,

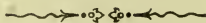
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*Typist*—L. M. SHORTEN.

*Reading-Room Attendants*—W. H. HALL, AND M. KELTY (*Sundays*).

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Committee Meetings at the Library, at 4 p.m., on the second Wednesday in each month.

Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.



## REPORT, 1905-6.

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THE Free Library Committee, in submitting their Report for the past year, are pleased to notify that the extension of the building and other work in progress at the date of the last Report has been completed, at a cost of £1,616.

The contract for heating the ground and first floors of the Library has been carried out at a cost of £358 including builder's work. The new method worked satisfactorily during the past winter. By arrangement with the Health Committee the steam for heating the water is supplied from the Baths adjoining.

Painting and general repairs have cost £113.

The future location of the respective departments has been very fully considered by your Committee, and a recommendation will be submitted for the approval of the Council—also an estimate of the amount required for the necessary furnishing.

The Lending Department has been open 255 days ; and the number of borrowers holding tickets on the 31st of March was 8,199. The issues numbered 130,654, an increase for the year of 5,169, to which each section contributed its share. The stock of books is now 22,494, an increase of 580. The average daily issues were 512. Fines for overdue books amounted to £66 10s. od.

The stock of books in the Reference Department, inclusive of 4,606 in the Local Collection, is 21,163 ; and there are also 9,920 pamphlets, about 6,000 of a local character—the books added numbering 588 and

pamphlets 384. The issues in all sections were 11,225—being of Biography, 527; Fiction, 51; History and Travel, 776; Science, Art, and Natural History, 1,840; Poetry, 223; Magazines and Miscellaneous, 4,801; Law and Theology, 479; and of the Local Collection, 2,528.

Catalogues for the Library have had the careful consideration of the Committee. It has been decided, instead of printing them at present, to have type-written Sheaf Catalogues of authors and subjects for the Lending Department—the former of which is now complete and the latter in progress.

Similar Sheaf Catalogues are to be prepared for the Reference Department, instead of the lists at present in use.

Quarterly Lists have been printed of the books added in all departments during 1905, about 1,750 of which have been sold at  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. each.

The Card Catalogue of the Local Collection will be kept as far as possible up to date.

Mr. Walter Rye, after making various gifts to the above collection during the year, at its close arranged to present the Library with numerous genealogical and historical works; also his large collection of local portraits, views, maps, &c.—the portraits numbering about 700 and the views nearly 7,000.

In the Reference Department facilities were afforded to students attending the lectures under the auspices of the Norwich University Extension Society to consult the works sent by the Cambridge Syndicate and others belonging to the Library. Two courses were delivered in the autumn on English and Florentine painters, and another in the spring on Umbrian and Venetian painters.

The Committee are now providing for their readers the magazines published by the National Home Reading Union, for guidance and better understanding of the books there referred to.

To encourage the reading of books in all sections borrowers are now allowed second or non-fictional tickets, 284 of which have been issued.

The special loans during the year consisted of 309 works and 124 magazine numbers.

The donations include catalogues, guides, &c., from the British Museum Trustees ; a series of District Gazetteers of India from the India Office ; a collection of 128 vols. of various editions of the Letters of Junius and other works relating to them, from Mr. Reginald Kemp, in consonance with the wish of the late Recorder of Norwich ; and many useful Parliamentary Papers from Mr. L. J. Tillet, M.P.

Eight bi-quarterly countings of the attendance in the Reading Rooms on Sundays gave totals of 1,860 in the men's room, and 454 in the women's—a daily average of 290 ; last year's average, 265.

Hourly countings throughout the year of the week-day attendance gave totals of 147,714 in the men's room and 25,786 in the women's for the 312 days, the daily average being 556 ; last year's average, 606. The large number of newspaper readers in the lobby was not included.

Notices of the principal works added have been published monthly by favour of the press.

Of overdate newspapers and periodicals 6,218 were sent to the Workhouse, and 2,124 to the Isolation Hospital ; discarded worn-out books have also been sent to both Institutions.

THOMAS S. BREFSE, CHAIRMAN.

The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1905-6; but further particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues, and selections of books, &c., and the donors, may be found on pages 8 to 18.

#### LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 22494 volumes ; being in—

|                                       |     |       |      |       |       |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History     | ... | added | 111  | total | 3000  |
| Biography and Correspondence          | ... | „     | 48   | „     | 2022  |
| Poetry and Drama                      | ... | „     | 25   | „     | 854   |
| Fiction                               | ... | „     | 151  | „     | 7275  |
| History and Travel                    | ... | „     | 108  | „     | 2935  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous | ... | „     | 103  | „     | 5454  |
| Law and Theology                      | ... | „     | 34   | „     | 954   |
| <hr/>                                 |     |       |      |       |       |
| Totals                                | ... | „     | 580  | „     | 22494 |
| „ last year                           | ... | „     | 1020 | „     | 21914 |

Days opened ... 255 last year 255

#### Borrowers—

|                                        |      |   |      |
|----------------------------------------|------|---|------|
| Tickets issued (new 1170, renewed 977) | 2147 | „ | 1947 |
| Holding Tickets, March 31st            | 8199 | „ | 7042 |
| Using Tickets, March 31st              | 3493 | „ | 3285 |

Issues, 130654 (132651 volumes) ; being in—

|                                       |     |        |          |      |
|---------------------------------------|-----|--------|----------|------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History     | ... | 4083   | increase | 751  |
| Biography and Correspondence          | ... | 1647   | „        | 195  |
| Poetry and Drama                      | ... | 896    | „        | 64   |
| Fiction                               | ... | 110954 | „        | 2604 |
| History and Travel                    | ... | 2847   | „        | 283  |
| Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous | ... | 9407   | „        | 1065 |
| Law and Theology                      | ... | 820    | „        | 207  |
| <hr/>                                 |     |        |          |      |
| Totals                                | ... | 130654 | „        | 5169 |
| „ last year                           | ... | 125485 | decrease | 2926 |

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                          |     |     |         |           |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----|-----|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Average daily issues                     | ... | ... | 512     | last year | 492       |
| „ issues to ticket-holder, March 31st    | ... | ... | 16      | „         | 18        |
| „ „ ticket-user, March 31st              | ... | ... | 38      | „         | 38        |
| Fines for overdue books                  | ... | ... | £66/10/ | last year | £65/17/10 |
| Sale of Catalogues                       | ... | ... | £8/18/7 | „         | £7/1/5    |
| Books replaced                           | ... | ... | 148     | last year | 243       |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders | ... | ... | 9031    | „         | 10872     |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

Issues in all sections, including 1952 in Reading

|                    |     |     |          |          |     |
|--------------------|-----|-----|----------|----------|-----|
| Rooms (see page 4) | ... | ... | ...11225 | decrease | 453 |
|--------------------|-----|-----|----------|----------|-----|

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |     |           |       |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----------|-------|-------|
| Lending Department       | ... | ... | added 580 | total | 22494 |
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | „ 489     | „     | 16557 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ... | „ 99      | „     | 4606  |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | „ 1168    | „     | 43657 |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | „ 1316    | „     | 42489 |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |     |       |   |      |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-------|---|------|
| Reference Department     | ... | ... | „ 218 | „ | 3921 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | ... | „ 166 | „ | 5999 |
| Totals                   | ... | ... | „ 384 | „ | 9920 |
| „ last year              | ... | ... | „ 366 | „ | 9536 |

## PERCENTAGES—

|                                   |     |                                |
|-----------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|
| Lending Stock (22494 volumes)     | ... | 19 27 per cent. of Population. |
| Issues (130654)                   | ... | 111 06 „ „                     |
| Ticket-holders, March 31st (8199) | ... | 7 02 „ „                       |
| Total Stock (43657)               | ... | 37 40 „ „                      |

# *Occupations of Borrowers.*

|                            |     |                             |      |
|----------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|------|
| Agents ... ..              | 10  | Brought forward ...         | 383  |
| Apprentices ... ..         | 9   | Hotel Keepers ... ..        | 2    |
| Artists and Photographers  | 12  | Housekeepers ... ..         | 5    |
| Assistants ... ..          | 47  | Inland Revenue Officers ... | 2    |
| Bakers and Confectioner... | 3   | Journalists ... ..          | 2    |
| Barmaid and Barman ...     | 2   | Labourers ... ..            | 12   |
| Book Folders ... ..        | 2   | Lodging-House Keepers ...   | 2    |
| Boot and Shoe Makers ...   | 21  | Machinists ... ..           | 12   |
| Boxmakers... ..            | 4   | Manageress and Managers     | 5    |
| Bricklayer and Builder ... | 2   | Mechanics ... ..            | 3    |
| Brushmakers ... ..         | 2   | Merchants ... ..            | 3    |
| Butchers ... ..            | 2   | Milliners ... ..            | 6    |
| Cabinet Makers ... ..      | 3   | Ministers ... ..            | 8    |
| Caretakers ... ..          | 3   | Nurses ... ..               | 3    |
| Carpenters and Joiner ...  | 12  | Organ Builders ... ..       | 6    |
| Chemists and Druggist ...  | 6   | Packers ... ..              | 11   |
| Cigar Makers ... ..        | 4   | Painters ... ..             | 4    |
| Clerks ... ..              | 87  | Piano Tuners ... ..         | 2    |
| Clickers ... ..            | 12  | Porters ... ..              | 5    |
| Coach Builders ... ..      | 2   | Printers ... ..             | 22   |
| Cutters ... ..             | 3   | Printers' Readers ... ..    | 3    |
| Decorators ... ..          | 4   | Salesmen and Saleswoman     | 3    |
| Designers and Draughtsman  | 3   | Scholars ... ..             | 209  |
| Dispensers ... ..          | 2   | Silk Workers ... ..         | 2    |
| Domestic Servants ... ..   | 22  | Superintendents ... ..      | 2    |
| Drapers ... ..             | 5   | Tailoresses and Tailors ... | 13   |
| Dressmakers ... ..         | 29  | Teachers ... ..             | 29   |
| Electrical Engineers ...   | 3   | Telegraph Messengers ...    | 2    |
| Engineers ... ..           | 6   | Travellers ... ..           | 12   |
| Errand, Office, &c., Boys  | 18  | Typists ... ..              | 3    |
| Finishers ... ..           | 8   | Warehousemen ... ..         | 7    |
| Fitters ... ..             | 20  | Weavers ... ..              | 2    |
| Foremen ... ..             | 4   | Wiremen ... ..              | 4    |
| Gardeners ... ..           | 6   | Miscellaneous ... ..        | 104  |
| Grocers ... ..             | 5   | Not stated ... ..           | 277  |
| Carried forward ...        | 383 | Total ... ..                | 1170 |



*Ages of Borrowers.*

|                       |     |     |     | Borrowers from<br>Dec. 1, 1877, to<br>May 31, 1897. |     |     |     | New Borrowers<br>in 1905-6. |     |     | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31, 1897. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-------------------------------------|
| Above 13 and under 20 |     | 20  | ... | 8884                                                | ... | ... | ... | 613                         | ... | ... | 5690                                |
| " 20                  | "   | 25  | ... | 2537                                                | ... | ... | ... | 125                         | ... | ... | 1927                                |
| " 25                  | "   | 30  | ... | 1736                                                | ... | ... | ... | 120                         | ... | ... | 1370                                |
| " 30                  | "   | 35  | ... | 1223                                                | ... | ... | ... | 79                          | ... | ... | 1018                                |
| " 35                  | "   | 40  | ... | 902                                                 | ... | ... | ... | 63                          | ... | ... | 701                                 |
| " 40                  | "   | 45  | ... | 635                                                 | ... | ... | ... | 28                          | ... | ... | 548                                 |
| " 45                  | "   | 50  | ... | 423                                                 | ... | ... | ... | 30                          | ... | ... | 347                                 |
| " 50                  | "   | 55  | ... | 353                                                 | ... | ... | ... | 23                          | ... | ... | 262                                 |
| " 55                  | "   | 60  | ... | 195                                                 | ... | ... | ... | 14                          | ... | ... | 165                                 |
| " 60                  | ... | ... | ... | 437                                                 | ... | ... | ... | 28                          | ... | ... | 384                                 |
| Not stated            | ... | ... | ... | 1250                                                | ... | ... | ... | 47                          | ... | ... | 1061                                |
|                       |     |     |     |                                                     |     |     |     |                             |     |     |                                     |
| Totals                | ... | ... | ... | 18575                                               | ... | ... | ... | 1170                        | ... | ... | 13473                               |

*Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.*

| Years.     | Tickets<br>Issued. |      | New Borrowers. |       |                |             |       | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31, 1897. |       |
|------------|--------------------|------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------------|-------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| 1897-8     | ...                | 3546 | ...            | 3529  | (1788 females, | 1741 males) | ...   | 3529                                |       |
| 1898-9     | ...                | 1609 | ...            | 1360  | ( 645          | „ 715       | „ )   | ...                                 | 4889  |
| 1899-1900  | ...                | 1928 | ...            | 1295  | ( 603          | „ 692       | „ )   | ...                                 | 6184  |
| 1900-01    | ...                | 2151 | ...            | 1338  | ( 625          | „ 713       | „ )   | ...                                 | 7522  |
| 1901-2     | ..                 | 1971 | ...            | 1180  | ( 538          | „ 642       | „ )   | ...                                 | 8702  |
| 1902-3—    |                    |      |                |       |                |             |       |                                     |       |
| To July 31 | 469                | ...  | 243            | ( 100 | „ 143          | „ )         | } ... |                                     | 9894  |
| To Mar. 31 | 4462               | ...  | 949            | ( 391 | „ 558          | „ )         | }     |                                     |       |
| 1903-4     | ...                | 1860 | ...            | 1252  | ( 561          | „ 691       | „ )   | ...                                 | 11146 |
| 1904-5     | ...                | 1947 | ...            | 1157  | ( 506          | „ 651       | „ )   | ...                                 | 12303 |
| 1905-6     | ...                | 2147 | ...            | 1170  | ( 536          | „ 634       | „ )   | ...                                 | 13473 |
| <hr/>      |                    |      |                |       |                |             |       |                                     |       |
| Totals     | 22090              | ...  | 13473          | (6293 | „ 7180         | „ )         |       |                                     |       |

The Borrowers to May 31, 1897, from December 1, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males—to whom had been issued 59394 tickets.

*Wards wherein Borrowers Resided.*

|        |            | Population<br>in 1901. |       |     | New Borrowers<br>in 1905-6. |     | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31, 1897. |
|--------|------------|------------------------|-------|-----|-----------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 1.     | Conisford  | ...                    | 5540  | ... | 48                          | ... | 808                                 |
| 2.     | Ber Street | ...                    | 8100  | ... | 35                          | ... | 559                                 |
| 3.     | Mancroft   | ...                    | 3960  | ... | 42                          | ... | 651                                 |
| 4.     | Westwick   | ...                    | 6385  | ... | 73                          | ... | 999                                 |
| 5.     | Coslany    | ...                    | 6580  | ... | 59                          | ... | 609                                 |
| 6.     | Fye Bridge | ...                    | 7455  | ... | 47                          | ... | 590                                 |
| 7.     | Thorpe     | ...                    | 5950  | ... | 92                          | ... | 871                                 |
| 8.     | Lakenham   | ...                    | 6001  | ... | 51                          | ... | 531                                 |
| 9.     | Town Close | ...                    | 6341  | ... | 67                          | ... | 794                                 |
| 10.    | Eaton      | ...                    | 11387 | ... | 160                         | ... | 1899                                |
| 11.    | Nelson     | ...                    | 6805  | ... | 68                          | ... | 995                                 |
| 12.    | Earlham    | ...                    | 6341  | ... | 85                          | ... | 1111                                |
| 13.    | Heigham    | ...                    | 6650  | ... | 58                          | ... | 537                                 |
| 14.    | Wensum     | ...                    | 6230  | ... | 26                          | ... | 484                                 |
| 15.    | Catton     | ...                    | 9171  | ... | 140                         | ... | 1043                                |
| 16.    | Mousehold  | ...                    | 8832  | ... | 119                         | ... | 992                                 |
| Totals |            | ...                    | 11728 | ... | 1170                        | ... | 13473                               |

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1071; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1, 1877, to May 31, 1897.

The Lending and Reference Departments are open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., except Sundays, Thursdays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Bank Holidays; and the Reading-Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., except Sundays (when it is from 3 to 9 p.m.), Christmas Day, and Good Friday.

*Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1905-6.*

| Months,<br>1905-6. | Days<br>open. | Science,<br>Art,<br>and<br>Natural<br>History. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspond-<br>ence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and<br>Miscellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|--------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...          | 19            | 347                                            | 145                                      | 61                      | 9274     | 244                       | 776                                             | 78                   | 10925              | 575                         |
| May ...            | 23            | 350                                            | 123                                      | 54                      | 9131     | 226                       | 682                                             | 56                   | 10622              | 462                         |
| June ...           | 20            | 258                                            | 112                                      | 43                      | 7903     | 217                       | 396                                             | 50                   | 9179               | 459                         |
| July ...           | 22            | 241                                            | 95                                       | 47                      | 7992     | 181                       | 643                                             | 58                   | 9257               | 421                         |
| August ...         | 21            | 228                                            | 105                                      | 56                      | 7907     | 168                       | 616                                             | 62                   | 9142               | 435                         |
| September ...      | 22            | 299                                            | 132                                      | 63                      | 9394     | 218                       | 687                                             | 75                   | 10868              | 494                         |
| October ...        | 22            | 337                                            | 149                                      | 93                      | 9326     | 234                       | 757                                             | 69                   | 10965              | 498                         |
| November ...       | 21            | 403                                            | 164                                      | 123                     | 9432     | 267                       | 917                                             | 80                   | 11386              | 542                         |
| December ...       | 20            | 331                                            | 147                                      | 97                      | 9458     | 263                       | 889                                             | 75                   | 11260              | 563                         |
| January ...        | 23            | 392                                            | 171                                      | 80                      | 10441    | 249                       | 924                                             | 79                   | 12336              | 536                         |
| February ...       | 20            | 420                                            | 150                                      | 74                      | 9836     | 309                       | 887                                             | 76                   | 11752              | 588                         |
| March ...          | 22            | 477                                            | 154                                      | 105                     | 10860    | 271                       | 1033                                            | 62                   | 12962              | 589                         |
| Totals             | 255           | 4083                                           | 1647                                     | 896                     | 110954   | 2847                      | 9407                                            | 820                  | 130654             | 512                         |
| Percentages 1905-6 | ...           | 3.12                                           | 1.26                                     | 0.69                    | 84.92    | 2.18                      | 7.20                                            | 0.63                 | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages 1904-5 | ...           | 2.66                                           | 1.16                                     | 0.66                    | 86.34    | 2.04                      | 6.65                                            | 0.49                 | ...                | ...                         |

*Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1905-6.*

| Years.                 | Days open. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travels. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneus. | Law and Theology. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882           | 1275       | 7069                               | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998                | 24400                                 | 1675              | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to 1887-8         | 1265       | 11730                              | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603                | 56679                                 | 1381              | 341992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3       | 1170       | 17502                              | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252                | 56596                                 | 2282              | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May)   | 982        | 12270                              | 5024                          | 2719              | 308616   | 12808                | 34229                                 | 2118              | 377844        | 385                   |
| To May 31, 1897        | 4692       | 48571                              | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721                | 171904                                | 7456              | 1320113       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (from Sept. 13) | 137        | 2005                               | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                 | 3939                                  | 343               | 55139         | 402                   |
| 1898-9                 | 258        | 3876                               | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                 | 7725                                  | 666               | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900              | 235        | 3494                               | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                 | 7250                                  | 777               | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01                | 232        | 3975                               | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                 | 7126                                  | 741               | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2                 | 232        | 4173                               | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                 | 7121                                  | 711               | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3                 | 237        | 4315                               | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                 | 6450                                  | 704               | 112112        | 473                   |
| 1903-4                 | 255        | 3638                               | 1618                          | 820               | 111492   | 3293                 | 6836                                  | 714               | 128411        | 504                   |
| 1904-5                 | 255        | 3332                               | 1452                          | 832               | 108350   | 2564                 | 8342                                  | 613               | 125485        | 492                   |
| 1905-6                 | 255        | 4083                               | 1647                          | 896               | 110954   | 2847                 | 9407                                  | 820               | 130654        | 512                   |
| Totals                 | 6788       | 81462                              | 40314                         | 19734             | 1842787  | 84182                | 236100                                | 13545             | 2318124       | 327                   |
| Percentages            | ...        | 3.51                               | 1.74                          | 0.85              | 79.50    | 3.63                 | 10.19                                 | 0.58              | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26 instead of January 1; and in 1899 it closed March 31 instead of March 25. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13, 1897. See note on page 13.

*Monthly Issues of Books from 1878 to 1905-6.*

| Years.                | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. | April. | May.  | June.  | July.  | Aug.   | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Totals. |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1878 to *1882 ...     | 13154  | 13986  | 15145  | 14828  | 14455 | 13359  | 14392  | 6327   | 6774   | 11713  | 13995  | 14144  | 152272  |
| 1883 to 1887-8 ...    | 35193  | 35006  | 38062  | 27961  | 28962 | 26590  | 26622  | 8981   | 27101  | 31064  | 30725  | 28725  | 344992  |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...  | 39522  | 39113  | 36408  | 37968  | ...   | 38899  | 41689  | 41867  | 39571  | 45067  | 42453  | 42748  | 445305  |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May)  | 43221  | 39606  | 30066  | 30093  | ...   | 30126  | 32544  | 33094  | 31601  | 36551  | 34165  | 36777  | 377844  |
| To May 31, 1897 ..    | 125532 | 122136 | 106423 | 109075 | 15308 | 102900 | 117010 | 119681 | 114041 | 129965 | 125610 | 132732 | 1320413 |
| 1897-8 (fr. Sept. 13) | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...   | 4031   | 8186   | 8515   | 7905   | 9530   | 9089   | 7883   | 55139   |
| 1898-9 ...            | 9412   | 8734   | 8231   | 8419   | 8033  | 8606   | 9380   | 8929   | 8646   | 10008  | 9607   | 12091  | 110096  |
| 1899-1900 ...         | 10428  | 10000  | 8845   | 8766   | ...   | 9257   | 9536   | 9662   | 8585   | 10689  | 10052  | 11473  | 107293  |
| 1900-01 ...           | 9782   | 10062  | 9623   | 9243   | ...   | 10044  | 11345  | 10752  | 10099  | 11274  | 10714  | 12035  | 114973  |
| 1901-2 ...            | 10586  | 10009  | 9534   | 8914   | ...   | 9632   | 10541  | 11515  | 10050  | 11439  | 10706  | 10622  | 113548  |
| 1902-3 ...            | 10535  | 10277  | 8561   | 9042   | ...   | 9635   | 10182  | 10189  | 10005  | 11728  | 10666  | 11292  | 112112  |
| 1903-4 ...            | 10194  | 10314  | 9175   | 9226   | 9049  | 10454  | 12088  | 11084  | 10385  | 12407  | 11825  | 12210  | 128411  |
| 1904-5 ...            | 10940  | 9662   | 9223   | 9214   | 9391  | 10079  | 10806  | 10667  | 10221  | 11709  | 11268  | 12305  | 125485  |
| 1905-6 ...            | 10925  | 10622  | 9179   | 9257   | 9142  | 10868  | 10965  | 11386  | 11260  | 12336  | 11752  | 12962  | 130654  |
| Totals ...            | 208334 | 201816 | 178794 | 181156 | 50923 | 185506 | 210039 | 212380 | 201197 | 231085 | 221389 | 235605 | 2318124 |
| Percentages ...       | 8.99   | 8.71   | 7.71   | 7.81   | 2.20  | 8.00   | 9.06   | 9.16   | 8.68   | 9.97   | 9.55   | 10.16  | ...     |

\* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven, weeks extra. See note on page 12.

*A Selection from the Additions to the Library  
during 1905-6.*

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Amelung and Holtzinger's Museums and Ruins of Rome. Archibald's Power of Play in Child Culture. Bardswell's Town and Window Gardening, and Notes from Nature's Garden. Barry's Ernest Renan. Bemrose's Manual of Buhl-Work and Marquetry, and Manual of Wood Carving. Benson's Elements of Handicraft and Design. Betting and Gambling; Ed. by B. S. Rowntree. Bitmead's Cabinet-Maker's Guide, and French Polishing and Enamelling. Brierley's Eternal Religion. Brightwen's Inmates of My House and Garden. Caird's Evolution of Religion. Call's Power Through Repose. Carl's With the Empress Dowager of China. Carpenter's Bible in the Nineteenth Century, and James Martineau, Theologian and Teacher. Carson's Man's Responsibility. Charles Bradlaugh, a Record of His Life and Work. Chesterton's Heretics. Creswell's Handrailing and Staircasing. Dargan's History of Preaching, 70-1572. Dennis's Christian Missions and Social Progress. Dresser's Education and the Philosophical Ideal. Dyer's Folk-Lore of Women. Eliot's East Africa Protectorate. Ellis's Human Foot: Form, Structure, Functions, and Clothing. Evans's Notes on Carpentry and Joinery. Fox's Rating of Land Values. Grierson's Practical Bookkeeping. Gwynn's To-Day and To-Morrow in Ireland. Haeckel's Last Words on Evolution. Harnack's Expansion of Christianity in First Three Centuries. Harting's Recreations of a Naturalist. Harwood's New Creations in Plant Life: Account of the Life and Work of Luther Burbank. Hatfield's Designing, Cutting, and Grading Boot and Shoe Patterns. Haw's To-Day's Work. Hayden's Chats on Old Furniture. Henry Sidgwick, a Memoir. Hobart's Electric Motors: Theory and Construction. Hone's Manor and Manorial Records. Ireland's Far Eastern Tropics: Studies in Administration. Jackson's Alternating Currents and Machinery. Jackson's Ambidexterity, or Two-Handedness and Two-Brainedness. Jennings's Paint and Colour Mixing. Kelly's Egypt Painted and Described. Kelly's Practical Programme for Working Men. Kerr and Brown's Elementary Physics. Kinnear's Foundations of Religion. Labour and Protection: Series of Studies. Lankester's Extinct Animals. Lethaby's



Mediaeval Art, 312-1350. Lodge's School Teaching and School Reform. Lyly's Works, complete; with Life, &c., by R. Warwick Bond. Macdonald's Socialism and Society. Mackenzie's Christianity and the Progress of Man. Meakin's Model Factories and Villages: Ideal Conditions of Labour and Housing. Memoir of Jeremiah James Colman, by Miss H. C. Colman. Mitchell's Building Construction and Drawing. Mitchell's Practical Gilding, Bronzing, and Lacquering. Monks's Young Preacher's Guide. Myers's Human Personality and Its Survival of Bodily Death. Nicholson's Rates and Taxes as Affecting Agriculture. Nye's Furniture Designing and Draughting. Patterson's Nature in Eastern Norfolk. Patten's Ritual of Temperance and State Hygiene. Rhys's Human Foot in Health and Disease. Robinson's Country Day by Day. Shaw's Plays Pleasant and Unpleasant, and Man and Superman. Stow's Native Races of South Africa. Taylor and Thompson's Concrete, Plain and Reinforced. Thomas's Road to Manhood. Three Dorset Captains at Trafalgar: T. M. Hardy, C. Bullen, and H. Digby. Voysey's Religion for All Mankind. Wall's Shrines of British Saints. Weinell's St. Paul, the Man and His Work. Wicksteed's Land for the People, How to Obtain and Manage It. World's Commercial Products. Zilliacus's Russian Revolutionary Movement.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

All About Ships and Shipping. Calendar of Letter-Books of the City of London, G, circa 1352-74. Catalogue of the Cheap Cottages Exhibition, 1905; with Plans, &c. Census of the British Empire, 1901. Century Book of Gardening; Ed. by E. T. Cook. Commercial Handbook of Canada, 1905. Ede's Gold and Silver Coins of all Nations (1808). Ellis's Modern Practical Joinery, by Hand or Machine. Emigrants' Information Office Handbooks. Ferguson's History of the Roman Republic. Garden Colour; with Notes and Coloured Sketches by Margaret Waterfield. Gooch's Annals of Politics and Culture, 1492-1899. Kendrick's English Embroidery. Kennedy's Modern Engines and Power Generators. Millar's Plastering, Plain and Decorative. Morrison's Time Table of Modern History, 400-1870. Parliamentary Papers on Brewers' Licenses, British Colonies, Education, Fisheries, Exports and Imports, Local Taxation, Pauperism, Trade and Navigation, Trade Disputes, Vagrancy, &c. Pearce's Painting and Decorating. Pen-

nant's Tour in Scotland, 1771. Pennell's Lithography and Lithographers. Peter's Letters to His Kinsfolk [Peter Morris], 1819. Report on Leather for Bookbinding. Spielman and Layard's Kate Greenaway [Life and Letters]. Stanford's Geological Atlas of Great Britain: with Descriptions by H. B. Woodward. Temple's England's History as Pictured by Famous Painters. Thorburn's History and Valuation of the Coins of Great Britain and Ireland.

Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board of Trade and Trade Marks Journals; British Numismatic, British Record (Index Library), Cambridge Antiquarian, Early English Text, Palæontographical, Pipe Rolls, Ray, and Zoological Societies' Publications; Historical Manuscripts Commission's Reports, Indexes to Periodical Literature, New English Dictionary, Parliamentary Debates (including those of the Australian Commonwealth), and Public General Acts; Proceedings and Reports of the British Association, Co-operative Congress, Egypt Exploration Fund, Royal Colonial Institute, Royal Geographical Society, Smithsonian Institution, and Viking Club; also the Times (daily edition, and Index thereto), leading Illustrated Magazines and Newspapers, and Literary, Professional, and Religious Journals.

The Trustees of the British Museum have kindly forwarded Catalogues of Collection of Birds' Eggs, vol. 4; of Hebrew and Samaritan MSS., part 2; of Japanese Printed Books and MSS.; of Lepidoptera Phalaenæ, vol. 5, with Plates; and of Printed Books, two parts. Guides to Antiquities of the Early Iron Age of Central and Western Europe; to Gallery of Birds in the Department of Zoology; and to the MSS., Books, Prints, and Medals at the Nelson Centenary Exhibition. Also Illustrations of Australian Plants Collected in 1770, part 3; and Synonymic Catalogue of Orthoptera, vol. 1.

## LOCAL COLLECTION.

Backhouse's (Hannah C.) Journal and Letters. Colman's Cricket Records, 1845-87. Cotman's Architectural Antiquities of Normandy. Dicks's Norwich School of Painting: Account of Exhibitions, Lives of Painters, and Descriptions of Pictures. Dutt's King's Lynn and Its Surroundings. Harford's A Norwich Parish (St. Stephen's) 500

Years Ago. Harrison's Gardener's and Forester's Record, 1834-6. In and About Ancient Yarmouth: Reproductions of Old Pictures. Meyrick's Memories of Life at Oxford, and Experiences in Italy and Elsewhere. Norfolk Athletes and Athletics; Ed. by H. E. Potter. Norfolk Chronicle, 1776-92 and 1802-7. Norfolk Poll Book, 1806; with Election Budget. Norwich Mercury, 1789-90. Randall's Nehemiah, the Tirshatha. Records of the City of Norwich: vol. 1, Municipal History; Ed. by W. Hudson. Rye's First Register Book of Lamas and Little Hautbois. Spelman's Lowestoft China. True Newes from Norwich, 1641. Williams's Souvenir of Sir Thomas Browne, and Bibliography of the Religio Medici.

There have also been added as published, by presentation, or as special opportunities to purchase arose—Bound volumes of Daylight, Eastern Daily Press, Norfolk Chronicle, Norfolk Daily Standard (now Eastern Evening Mail), and Norwich Mercury; Co-operative Monthly Herald, East Anglian Notes and Queries, Fenland Notes and Queries, Norfolk and Norwich Archæological and Naturalists' Societies' Transactions, Norfolk and Norwich Notes and Queries, Norwich Diocesan Gazette, and Parish Magazines; Statements of Accounts, &c., of the Corporation, County Council, and Guardians; and Engravings, Etchings, Maps, Old Newspapers, Pamphlets, Portraits, Views, &c., of a specially local nature.

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## REPORTS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES.

Annual Reports of similar Libraries have been received, the figures denoting the number of the Report and apparent age of the Library:—Aberdeen 21, Ashton-under-Lyne 11, Barrow-in-Furness 22, Belfast 17, Birmingham 43, Blackburn, Blackpool 25, Bolton 52, Bradford 35, Brighton 3, Buxton 16, Cambridge 50, Colchester 11, Derby 34, Edinburgh, Gloucester 6, Hanley 18, Hove 13, Leeds 35, Leicester 34, Leyton 12, Lincoln 11, Liverpool 52—London: Battersea 18, Cripplegate Foundation 8, Ealing 22, Finsbury, Fulham 17, Hammersmith, Hornsey 6, Kensal Rise, Kilburn 12, Shoreditch 14, Wandsworth (including six Libraries), and Westminster (including three Libraries)—Willesden Green, Loughborough 19, Newcastle-upon-Tyne 24, Perth 7, Portsmouth 21, Richmond 24, Preston 26, Salford 57, Smethwick, St. Helen's 27, Stockport 29, Tottenham, Twickenham 23, Tynemouth 35, Walthamstow 10, West Bromwich

31, Wigan 27 and 28, Wimbledon 18, Worcester (two years), Yarmouth 19, York 12. Also recent reports from the Bodleian Library, Oxford; Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore; New York Public Library, Nicholson Institute, Leek; Otis Library, Norwich (Conn.); St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, Stirling's and Glasgow Public Library, and the Public Library of New South Wales, Sydney.

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†Australian Year-Book  
 Baptist Handbook  
 British Almanac  
 Cambridge University Calendar  
 Catholic Year-Bk. and Directory  
 Church of England Year-Book  
 Civil Service Year-Book  
 Congregational Year-Book  
 Crockford's Clerical Directory  
 †Durham University Calendar  
 Free Church Year-Book  
 Fruit Growers' Year-Book  
 Gardening Year-Book  
 Hazell's Annual  
 Jewish Year-Book  
 London University Calendar  
 Municipal Year-Book  
 Oxford and Cambridge Year-Book  
 Oxford University Calendar  
 Reformers' Year-Book  
 Schoolmasters Year-Book  
 Statesman's Year-Book  
 †University Corres. Coll. Calendar  
 Writers' and Artists' Year-Book  
 Year's Art

## QUARTERLY.

Edinburgh Review  
 \*Englishwoman's Review  
 Hibbert Journal  
 Navy List  
 †Progress  
 Quarterly Review

## MONTHLY.

American Printer  
 Army List  
 Art Journal  
 Atlantic Monthly  
 Blackwood's Edinburgh Magaz.  
 \*†British Food Journal  
 Burlington Magazine  
 C. B. Fry's Magazine  
 †Canadian Patent Office Record  
 \*Cassell's Fam. Mag. (1 in Men's)  
 Cassier's Magazine  
 \*†Catholic Fireside

## MONTHLY (continued).

\*Century Illustrated  
 \*Chambers's Journal (1 in Men's)  
 Church Missionary Intelligencer  
 \*†Charity Organisation Review  
 \*†Child's Guardian  
 \*†Church of England Gazette  
 \*†Commonwealth  
 †Concord [Prices  
 Connoisseur; and Supp., Sale  
 Contemporary Review  
 Cornhill Magazine  
 †Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Jour.  
 Empire Review  
 \*English Illustrated Magazine  
 \*†Epicure  
 †Fire and Water  
 \*†Food and Cookery  
 †Foresters' Miscellany  
 Fortnightly Review  
 †Free Russia  
 †Genossenschaftliches Volks Blatt  
 Gentleman's Magazine  
 \*Girl's Own Paper  
 \*†Goodwill  
 \*Harper's Magazine  
 †Herald of Peace and Olive Leaf  
 Idler  
 Independent Review  
 †Insurance Agent and Review  
 †Jewish Missionary Intelligence  
 Journal of Board of Agriculture  
 †Journal of Professional  
 †Labour Gazette [Musicians  
 \*London Missionary Soc. Chron.  
 †London, Seaside, and Country  
 Macmillan's Magazine  
 Magazine of Commerce  
 Magazine of Fine Arts  
 \*†Mercury Training Ship Mag. (1  
 \*†Mercy and Truth [in Men's  
 †Messenger  
 †Millgate Monthly  
 Missionary Review of World  
 Monthly Review  
 \*†Musical Herald  
 \*Musical Times  
 National Review



## MONTHLY (continued).

†National Service Journal  
 †Nature Notes  
 †New Church Magazine  
 Nineteenth Century  
 Outing  
 †Patents  
 \*†Personal Rights Journal  
 †Plumber and Decorator  
 †Positivist  
 \*†Primrose League Gazette  
 Quiver  
 †Reclabite and Temp. Magazine  
 \*Regions Beyond  
 Review of Reviews  
 \*Scribner's Magazine  
 †State Correspondent  
 Strand Magazine  
 \*Sunday at Home  
 \*†Sunday Closing Reporter  
 \*†Sunday League Advocate  
 Symons's Meteorological  
 Temple Bar [Magazine]  
 †Tourist's Guide  
 †Vegetarian Messenger  
 †Warrant Officer's Naval Journal  
 Westminster Review  
 Woodworker  
 Zoologist  
 †Zoophilist

## TRI-WEEKLY.

Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart

## BI-WEEKLY.

\*†Norwich Mercury (1 in Men's),  
1 given

## WEEKLY.

Academy  
 †Alliance News  
 Army and Navy Gazette  
 Athenæum  
 Australasian  
 †Board of Trade Journal  
 Boot and Shoe Trades Journal  
 †Boston Independent  
 Boy's Own Paper  
 Builder  
 Building News  
 Cage Birds  
 †Canadian Gazette  
 Cassell's Saturday Journal  
 †Catholic Times  
 †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.

## WEEKLY (continued).

\*Christian World (1 in Men's)  
 Church Times  
 †Civil Service Aspirant  
 †Civil Service Candidate  
 †Civil Service Competitor  
 †Civil Service Gazette  
 Clarion  
 \*†Co-operative News (1 in Men's)  
 \*†Cromer and North Walsham Post  
 \*†Daylight (2 in Men's), 1 given  
 Draper's Record  
 \*†Eastern Counties Times  
 \*†Eastern Weekly Press  
 Electrical Review  
 Electrician  
 Engineer  
 Engineering  
 †English Churchman  
 English Mechanic  
 Era  
 \*Family Herald; and Supplement  
 Feathered World  
 Field  
 Gardeners' Magazine  
 \*Graphic (1 in Men's)  
 \*Great Thoughts  
 Grocer  
 †Guardian  
 \*Illus. London News (1 in Men's)  
 †Illus. Official Journal (Patents)  
 Investors' Review  
 Isle of Wight Advertiser  
 †Journal of Society of Arts (1 in Men's)  
 \*Lady's Pictorial  
 Land and Water  
 \*†Laundry Journal  
 †Local Government Chronicle  
 †Local Government Journal  
 †Lowestoft Journal  
 †Lowestoft Standard  
 Lynn Advertiser  
 M. A. P.  
 Mechanical World  
 \*†Midland Counties Herald  
 Municipal Journal  
 Nature  
 Newcastle Chronicle  
 \*†Norfolk Chron. (1 Men's), 1 given  
 \*†Norfolk News (1 Men's), 1 given  
 †Norfolk Weekly Standard and  
 Argus (1 in Men's), 1 given  
 Notes and Queries  
 \*†People's Weekly Journal  
 Phonetic Journal  
 †Photographic News



## WEEKLY (continued).

†Poor Law Officers' Journal  
 †Present Truth  
 †Public Health Engineer  
   Public Opinion  
 \*Punch (1 in Men's)  
 \*Queen  
   Saturday Review  
 †School Board Chronicle  
 \*School Guardian  
   Schoolmaster  
 \*Schoolmistress  
 †Schweiz Konsum Verein  
   Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List  
 †Shoe and Leather Record  
 †Shop Assistant  
   Speaker  
   Spectator  
   Sunday Sun  
   Superintendent and Foreman  
   T. P.'s Weekly  
 †Tablet  
 †Tailor and Cutter  
   Timber Trades Journal  
 †Trade Marks Journal  
   Truth  
 †University Correspondent  
   Volunteer Service Gazette  
 \*†Worcester Herald

## WEEKLY (continued).

Work  
 Yarmouth Independent  
 \*Young Ladies' Journal

## DAILY.

Birmingham Post  
 Chronicle  
 East Anglian Times  
 \*†Eastern Daily Press (1 in Men's,  
   1 also in Lobby), 1 given  
 †Eastern Evening Mail (1 in  
   Men's, 1 also in Lobby), 1 given  
 †Eastern Evening News (1 also in  
   Lobby), 1 given  
 Echo (in Lobby)  
 †Express  
   Manchester Guardian  
 †Montreal Gazette  
   News  
   Pall Mall Gazette  
 \*Standard (1 in Men's)  
   Star (in Lobby)  
 \*Telegraph (1 in Men's)  
   Times  
   Tribune  
   Westminster Gazette  
   Yorkshire Post

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

|                                 |                                 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Bradshaw; and Continental       | †London and North Western       |
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| †Glasgow and South Western      | †London, Brighton, and S. Coast |
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| †Great Eastern; and Continental | †North British. †North Eastern  |
| †Great Northern                 | †Norwich—Fletcher's; Jarrold's  |
| †Great Western                  | †South Eastern and Chatham      |

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| Durham and Northumberland        | Somersetshire and Gloucester-    |
| Essex, Herts, and Middlesex      | shire, with Bristol              |
| Hants, Wilts, and Dorsetshire    | Yorks (West Riding; and North    |
| Kent, Surrey, and Sussex         | and East Ridings, with York)     |

# Revenue Account for the Year

## Expenditure.

|                                                | £    | s. | d. | £     | s. | d. |
|------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|-------|----|----|
| To Salaries—Librarian ... ..                   | 150  | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Sub-Librarian ... ..                           | 120  | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Assistants ... ..                              | 325  | 4  | 3  |       |    |    |
| Typist ... ..                                  | 33   | 5  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Charwoman ... ..                               | 20   | 16 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                |      |    |    | 649   | 5  | 3  |
| Loan—Interest ... ..                           | 38   | 6  | 8  |       |    |    |
| Sinking Fund ... ..                            | 52   | 13 | 1  |       |    |    |
| Income Tax ... ..                              | 2    | 0  | 4  |       |    |    |
|                                                |      |    |    | 93    | 0  | 1  |
| Insurance ... ..                               | 12   | 4  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Books Purchased ... ..                         | 202  | 0  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Binding Books ... ..                           | 48   | 13 | 9  |       |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals ... ..              | 107  | 18 | 8  |       |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery ... ..                 | 34   | 12 | 1  |       |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows ... ..                        | 10   | 18 | 0  |       |    |    |
| General Repairs, Painting and Cleaning, and    |      |    |    |       |    |    |
| Electric Fittings ... ..                       | 113  | 8  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Electric Light ... ..                          | 73   | 6  | 8  |       |    |    |
| Gas, Water, and Fuel ... ..                    | 9    | 14 | 2  |       |    |    |
| Attendance of Librarian and Sub-Librarian at   |      |    |    |       |    |    |
| Annual Meeting of Library Association at       |      |    |    |       |    |    |
| Cambridge ... ..                               | 5    | 5  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Winding, Regulating, &c., Clocks ... ..        | 1    | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
| Librarian's Disbursements ... ..               | 13   | 5  | 4  |       |    |    |
| Indicator Tickets ... ..                       | 7    | 1  | 9  |       |    |    |
|                                                |      |    |    | 639   | 19 | 9  |
| Extension of Buildings—                        |      |    |    |       |    |    |
| Building ... ..                                | 1638 | 8  | 11 |       |    |    |
| Heating ... ..                                 | 290  | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Builder's Work for Heating Apparatus... ..     | 42   | 16 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Lithographing, Advertising, &c. ... ..         | 6    | 4  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Compensation in respect of alleged damage on   |      |    |    |       |    |    |
| account of obstruction of light and air ... .. | 25   | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                |      |    |    | 2002  | 9  | 5  |
|                                                |      |    |    | £3384 | 14 | 6  |

## Fines Account for the Year

|                                                                | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection... | 25  | 11 | 1  |      |    |    |
| Cabinet for Card Catalogue ... ..                              | 11  | 14 | 10 |      |    |    |
| Transfer to Revenue Account towards Cost of Extension          |     |    |    |      |    |    |
| of Buildings ... ..                                            | 100 | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                |     |    |    | £137 | 5  | 11 |

## Liabilities.

|                                                | £    | s. | d. | BALANCE SHEET— | £    | s. | d. |
|------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|----------------|------|----|----|
| To Sundry Creditors ... ..                     |      |    |    |                | 309  | 14 | 9  |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1905 ... ..       | 1751 | 2  | 3  |                |      |    |    |
| Less ditto for the current year ... ..         | 1638 | 16 | 7  |                |      |    |    |
|                                                |      |    |    |                | 112  | 5  | 8  |
| Fines Account Revenue, 31st March, 1905 ... .. | 179  | 9  | 5  |                |      |    |    |
| Less ditto for the current year ... ..         | 70   | 15 | 11 |                |      |    |    |
|                                                |      |    |    |                | 108  | 13 | 6  |
|                                                |      |    |    |                | £530 | 13 | 11 |

ended 31st March, 1906.

**Income.**

|                                                                                                                                               | £     | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Sale of Catalogues ... ..                                                                                                                  | 8     | 18 | 7  |      |    |    |
| Borrowers' Tickets ... ..                                                                                                                     | 10    | 16 | 10 |      |    |    |
| Papers ... ..                                                                                                                                 | 2     | 5  | 3  |      |    |    |
| Post Cards, &c. ... ..                                                                                                                        | 3     | 16 | 10 |      |    |    |
| Lavatory ... ..                                                                                                                               | 0     | 5  | 5  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                               | <hr/> |    |    |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                               |       |    |    | 26   | 2  | 11 |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1905, included in Precept dated 20th December, 1904 ... ..                                   | 402   | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1905, included in Precept dated 20th June, 1905 ... .. | 811   | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1906, included in Precept dated 19th December, 1905 ... ..                                | 405   | 15 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                               | <hr/> |    |    |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                               |       |    |    | 1619 | 15 | 0  |
| Transfer from Fines Account towards Cost of Extension of Buildings ... ..                                                                     |       |    |    | 100  | 0  | 0  |
|                                                                                                                                               | <hr/> |    |    |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                                                               |       |    |    | 1745 | 17 | 11 |

Balance, being excess Expenditure over Income... .. 1638 16 7

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ended 31st March, 1906.

|                                                      | £  | s. | d. |
|------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| By Fines ... ..                                      | 66 | 10 | 0  |
| Balance, being excess Expenditure over Income ... .. | 70 | 15 | 11 |

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**REVENUE ACCOUNT.****Assets.**

|                                  | £     | s. | d. | £   | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------|-------|----|----|-----|----|----|
| By Cash in hand—Treasurer ... .. | 520   | 13 | 11 |     |    |    |
| Librarian ... ..                 | 10    | 0  | 0  |     |    |    |
|                                  | <hr/> |    |    |     |    |    |
|                                  |       |    |    | 530 | 13 | 11 |

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## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

*(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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*I bequeath\**

*\*Books, Pictures, or  
other objects of Art  
or Interest.*

*to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personal Estate; and I further direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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**Donations may be intimated to the Librarian, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Committee.**

## NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

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Area of the City—7,582 Acres.

Estimated Population of the City, in middle of 1905—116,741.

Rateable Value of the City, 1905—£439,481.

Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1906—£1,630.

Libraries' Act Adopted—1850.

Library Opened—March, 1857.

Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1901.

Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.

Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools) —

Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.

Reading-Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.

Books Issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.

Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.

Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.

Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.

„ „ December, 1905, 43,254 Books (and 9871 Pamphlets).

„ „ per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4·35.

„ „ „ „ December, 1905, 37·05.

Issues for Home Reading—December, 1877, 1,100.

„ „ December, 1905, 11,220.

„ „ Total since 1877, 2,318,124.





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***THE REPORT***

OF THE

**FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE**

TO THE

**TOWN COUNCIL.**

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**1907-8.**

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THE REPORT

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FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1908,

TO

THE TOWN COUNCIL.

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# COMMITTEE.

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*City Treasurer*—H. G. BARCLAY

*City Engineer*—A. E. COLLINS

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*Librarian*—J. GEO. TENNANT.    *Sub-Librarian*—L. R. HAGGERSTON.

*Senior Assistants*—J. FINCH and R. LLOYD.

*Junior Assistants*—G. LONG and F. PARKER.    *Typist*—L. M. SHORTEN.

*News Rooms and Reading-Room Attendants*—

W. H. HALL and M. KELTY (*Sundays*).

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Committee Meetings at the Library, at 4 p.m., on the second  
Wednesday in each month.

Sub-Committees meet when required, and are specially summoned.

# REPORT, 1907-8.

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The Free Library Committee, in submitting their Report on the work of the Library during the past year, would remind the Council that in last year's Report reference was made to the completion of the extension of the Library building.

The use of the addition as a Reading-room began in April, 1907, so that this Report covers the first twelve months' use of the Library under the improved conditions.

That the new room is appreciated by the public is unmistakably shown by the many persons who may be found there at all hours—more particularly, as might be anticipated, during the evenings.

During the winter of 1907-8, opportunity offered to improve the heating of the Library. In conjunction with the Health Committee arrangements have been entered into to make a connection with the steam supply of the Electricity Department's power station by means of a subway under Duke Street. Steam pipes being laid through this subway it will be possible to obtain "live" steam at a considerable pressure, and as this steam is available by night as well as by day it is anticipated that it will be much easier to maintain a comfortable temperature throughout the Library.

An interesting experiment which aimed at fostering the use of the Library by school children was made during the past winter. By arrangement with the Education Committee a selection of books likely to meet the tastes of elementary school children was made by several of the teachers. These books were placed on Saturday mornings in one of the rooms on the top floor where tables and chairs were provided. One or more teachers attended in rotation to superintend the young readers, and it is to be hoped that some of the children

may have been given some encouragement to become borrowers from the Library. It has to be confessed, however, that the attendance, once the novelty had worn off, was not sufficient to justify the expenditure of time and trouble which was necessarily involved.

The Committee felt that the new Reading-room offered a very suitable venue for the delivery of Conversational Lectures—more especially on the contents of the Library. They accordingly arranged for a series of short lectures upon alternate Thursday evenings—the usual use of the room being suspended on those evenings. The attendances, while not always so good as might have been hoped, would seem to warrant the belief that the experience gained during the past winter might enable such arrangements being made as to ensure still greater success in the future.

The Quarterly List of additions, under the title “Our New Books” was issued regularly up to the end of 1907. The Committee had then an opportunity of considering the advisability of adopting “The Readers’ Review,” which is published monthly under the direction of a joint editorial board appointed by the Library Association and the National Home Reading Union. Arrangements are being made by which an inset giving a list of recent additions to our own Library will be printed and inserted locally. As the “Readers’ Review” contains articles on books and reading by authorities in their several branches it is hoped that it will be found to be of real use to readers.

The Committee are now subscribers to, and receiving publications from the following:—British Record Society, British Numismatic Society, Cambridge Antiquarian Society, Early English Text Society, Egypt Exploration Fund, Library Association, National Home Reading Union, Palæontographical Society, Ray Society, Pipe Roll Society, Viking Club, and Zoological Society.

With regard to emigration, the Library is officially supplied quarterly with “Circulars” about Australasia, Canada, South Africa, etc., by the Emigrants’ Information Office; and the various Agents-General are constantly sending handbooks, illustrated works, and pamphlets, whereby ample opportunity is afforded of gaining practical knowledge of the different colonies.



The Lending Department has been open 290 days; and the number of borrowers holding tickets on the 31st of March was 10201. The issues numbered 114,341, a decrease for the year of 8249. It is worthy of note the decreased issue was entirely confined to the classes of Fiction, and Magazines and Miscellaneous, the other classes all showing increased issues. Thus the reduced issues afford ground for gratification as the more serious forms of literature require a longer time for their perusal and a lower issue is quite consistant with an increased use of the Library. The stock of books is now 23,786, an increase of 607. The average daily issues were 394. Fines for overdue books amounted to £45 19s. 5d. The number of second or non-fictional tickets applied for was 134, making a total of 573 from October 13th, 1905.

The stock of books in the Reference Department, inclusive of 4903 in the Local Collection, is 23,684; and there are also 10,401 pamphlets, about 6,170 of a local character—the books added numbering 673 and pamphlets 192. The issues in all sections were 10,387, being of Biography, 379; Fiction, 27; History and Travel, 548; Science, Art, and Natural History, 1,380; Poetry, 198; Magazines and Miscellaneous, 3,499; Law and Theology, 457; Local Collection, 2,206; and unclassified issues to readers in the new Reading-room, 1,693. This total does not include the large number of unrecorded issues from the open shelves in that room. The fact that these open shelves contain a larger selection of books than have previously been so shelved probably more than accounts for the slight decrease in the number of recorded issues. A new counter bookcase has been made by the Works Department, and, affording as it does, room for the display of overdate Magazine parts which are loaned for home-reading, as well as shelf accomodation for Encyclopædias and similar bulky volumes, has proved to be of very considerable utility. The special loans from the Reference-room consisted of 328 works and 651 magazine numbers.

Eight bi-quarterly countings of the attendance in the Reading-room on Sundays gave totals of 1,837 men, and 351 women, a daily average of 275; last year's average, 280.

Hourly countings throughout the year of weekday attendance in the News-rooms gave totals of 129,287 in the men's room and 23,675 in the women's for the 309 days, the daily average being 495; last year's average, 505.

Similar countings of the attendance in the Reading-room showed totals of 64,249 men, and 2,499 women; a daily average of 237.

Overdate newspapers and periodicals were supplied weekly to the Isolation Hospital and the Workhouse; and worn-books sent to the City Asylum and Workhouse.

The books sent from Cambridge for the use of persons attending the courses of University Extension Lectures delivered during the winter of 1907-8 were, as usual, located in our Reference-room.

On the application of the Distress Committee, your Committee had pleasure in continuing to place at their disposal rooms on the top floor of the Library Building.

HENRY J. COPEMAN, *Chairman.*

The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1907-8; but further particulars of the borrowers (occupations, ages, and sexes, with the wards in which they resided), borrowers' tickets, issues, and selections of books, &c., and the donors, may be found on pages to .

#### LENDING DEPARTMENT—

Stock, 23786 volumes; being in—

|                                     |       |     |       |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History   | added | 154 | total | 3269  |
| Biography and Correspondence ...    | „     | 58  | „     | 2131  |
| Poetry and Drama ...                | „     | 31  | „     | 903   |
| Fiction ...                         | „     | 152 | „     | 7547  |
| History and Travel ...              | „     | 91  | „     | 3137  |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | „     | 88  | „     | 5751  |
| Law and Theology ...                | „     | 33  | „     | 1048  |
| <hr/>                               |       |     |       |       |
| Totals ...                          | „     | 607 | „     | 23786 |
| „ last year ...                     | „     | 685 | „     | 23179 |

Days opened ... 290 last year 253

#### Borrowers—

|                                      |       |   |      |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---|------|
| Tickets issued (new 991, renewed 34) | 1025  | „ | 1733 |
| Holding Tickets, March 31st ...      | 10201 | „ | 9181 |
| Using Tickets, March 31st ...        | 2877  | „ | 3135 |

Issues, 114341 (116093 volumes); being in—

|                                     |        |          |      |
|-------------------------------------|--------|----------|------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History   | 4742   | increase | 765  |
| Biography and Correspondence ...    | 1963   | „        | 226  |
| Poetry and Drama ...                | 1023   | „        | 81   |
| Fiction ...                         | 93692  | decrease | 8625 |
| History and Travel ...              | 3554   | increase | 581  |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | 8598   | decrease | 1285 |
| Law and Theology ...                | 769    | increase | 8    |
| <hr/>                               |        |          |      |
| Totals ...                          | 114341 | decrease | 8249 |
| „ last year ...                     | 122590 | „        | 8064 |

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                                |     |                    |               |        |
|------------------------------------------------|-----|--------------------|---------------|--------|
| Average daily issues                           | ... | ...                | 394 last year | 485    |
| „ issues to ticket-holder, March 31st          |     | 10                 | „             | 14     |
| „ „ ticket-user, March 31st                    |     | 40                 | „             | 39     |
| Fines for overdue books                        | ... | £45/19/5 last year | £60/18/1      |        |
| Sale of Catalogues                             | ... | £6/5/9             | „             | £4/8/8 |
| Books replaced                                 | ... | ...                | 52 last year  | 56     |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders (608) |     | 6542               | „             | 7234   |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                                                                                  |     |                |     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----------------|-----|
| Issues in all sections, including 2760 in Reading<br>and News rooms (see page 5) | ... | 10387 decrease | 585 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----------------|-----|

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |       |      |       |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Lending Department       | ... | added | 607  | total | 23786 |
| Reference Department     | ... | „     | 462  | „     | 17781 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | „     | 211  | „     | 4903  |
| Totals                   | ... | „     | 1280 | „     | 46470 |
| „ last year              | ... | „     | 1533 | „     | 45190 |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |   |     |   |       |
|--------------------------|-----|---|-----|---|-------|
| Reference Department     | ... | „ | 102 | „ | 4231  |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | „ | 90  | „ | 6170  |
| Totals                   | ... | „ | 192 | „ | 10401 |
| „ last year              | ... | „ | 289 | „ | 10209 |

## PERCENTAGES—

|                                    |                                |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Lending Stock (23786 volumes)      | 19'95 per cent. of Population. |
| Issues (114341)                    | 95'93 „ „                      |
| Ticket-holders, March 31st (10201) | 8'55 „ „                       |
| Total Stock (46470)                | 38'96 „ „                      |

*Occupations of Borrowers.*

|                               |                              |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Accountants ... .. 4          | Brought forward ... 325      |
| Agents ... .. 6               | Lithographers ... .. 5       |
| Apprentices ... .. 8          | Machine Minders ... .. 3     |
| Assistants ... .. 34          | Machinists ... .. 11         |
| Bookbinders and Folders .. 8  | Managers and Manageress .. 5 |
| Boot and Shoe Makers ... 44   | Masons ... .. 2              |
| Boxmakers ... .. 3            | Mechanics... .. 4            |
| Bricklayers ... .. 3          | Milliners ... .. 4           |
| Butlers ... .. 2              | Ministers ... .. 10          |
| Carpenters ... .. 5           | Musicians ... .. 5           |
| Carters ... .. 3              | Nurses ... .. 3              |
| Carver and Gilder ... .. 2    | Organ Builders ... .. 2      |
| Clerks ... .. 57              | Outfitters ... .. 2          |
| Clickers ... .. 5             | Packers ... .. 4             |
| Confectioners ... .. 3        | Painters, Plumbers, &c... 10 |
| Cutters ... .. 3              | Polishers ... .. 2           |
| Dealers ... .. 2              | Porters ... .. 4             |
| Domestic Servants ... 15      | Printers ... .. 16           |
| Drapers ... .. 5              | Publicans ... .. 3           |
| Draughtsmen ... .. 2          | Saddlers ... .. 2            |
| Dressmakers ... .. 24         | Salesmen and Saleswoman .. 4 |
| Electricians ... .. 3         | Scholars ... .. 139          |
| Engineers ... .. 8            | Solicitors ... .. 2          |
| Errand, Page, &c., Boys... 14 | Stock and Storekeepers ... 4 |
| Factory Hands ... .. 2        | Superintendents ... .. 3     |
| Finishers and Fitters ... 22  | Supervisors ... .. 2         |
| Foremen ... .. 3              | Tailors ... .. 10            |
| Framemakers ... .. 2          | Teachers ... .. 35           |
| Gardeners... .. 6             | Tinsmiths ... .. 2           |
| Greengrocers ... .. 2         | Travellers ... .. 7          |
| Housekeepers ... .. 3         | Typists ... .. 2             |
| Inspectors... .. 2            | Warehousemen ... .. 11       |
| Ironmongers ... .. 2          | Wiremen ... .. 2             |
| Joiners ... .. 2              | Miscellaneous ... .. 60      |
| Labourers... .. 14            | Not Stated ... .. 286        |
| Laundresses ... .. 2          |                              |
| Carried forward ... 325       | Total... .. 991              |

*Ages of Borrowers.*

|                       |      |     |     | Borrowers from<br>Dec. 1st, 1877, to<br>May 31st, 1897 | New Borrowers<br>in 1907-8. |     | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31st, 1897. |
|-----------------------|------|-----|-----|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------|
| Above 13 and under 20 |      |     | ... | 8884                                                   | ...                         | 474 | 6623                                  |
| „ 20                  | „ 25 |     | ... | 2537                                                   | ...                         | 116 | 2144                                  |
| „ 25                  | „ 30 |     | ... | 1736                                                   | ...                         | 99  | 1591                                  |
| „ 30                  | „ 35 |     | ... | 1223                                                   | ...                         | 87  | 1169                                  |
| „ 35                  | „ 40 |     | ... | 902                                                    | ...                         | 48  | 813                                   |
| „ 40                  | „ 45 |     | ... | 635                                                    | ...                         | 47  | 627                                   |
| „ 45                  | „ 50 |     | ... | 423                                                    | ...                         | 22  | 386                                   |
| „ 50                  | „ 55 |     | ... | 353                                                    | ...                         | 12  | 291                                   |
| „ 55                  | „ 60 |     | ... | 195                                                    | ...                         | 16  | 190                                   |
| „ 60                  | ...  | ... | ... | 437                                                    | ...                         | 26  | 428                                   |
| Not stated            | ...  | ... | ... | 1250                                                   | ...                         | 44  | 1158                                  |
| Totals                |      |     |     | 18575                                                  | ...                         | 991 | 15420                                 |

*Tickets Issued, and Sexes of Borrowers.*

| Years.     | Tickets<br>Issued. |       | New Borrowers.      |                                 |      | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31st, 1897. |
|------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|
| 1897-8     | ...                | 3546  | ...                 | 3529 (1788 females, 1741 males) | ...  | 3529                                  |
| 1898-9     | ...                | 1609  | ...                 | 1360 ( 645 „ 715 „ )            | ...  | 4889                                  |
| 1899-1900  | ...                | 1928  | ...                 | 1295 ( 603 „ 692 „ )            | ...  | 6184                                  |
| 1900-01    | ...                | 2151  | ...                 | 1338 ( 625 „ 713 „ )            | ...  | 7522                                  |
| 1901-2     | ...                | 1971  | ...                 | 1180 ( 538 „ 642 „ )            | ...  | 8702                                  |
| 1902-3—    |                    |       |                     |                                 |      |                                       |
| To July 31 | 469                | ...   | 243 ( 100 „ 143 „ ) | ...                             | 9894 |                                       |
| To Mar. 31 | 4462               | ...   | 949 ( 391 „ 558 „ ) | ...                             |      |                                       |
| 1903-4     | ...                | 1860  | ...                 | 1252 ( 561 „ 691 „ )            | ...  | 11146                                 |
| 1904-5     | ...                | 1947  | ...                 | 1157 ( 506 „ 651 „ )            | ...  | 12303                                 |
| 1905-6     | ...                | 2147  | ...                 | 1170 ( 536 „ 634 „ )            | ...  | 13473                                 |
| 1906-7     | ...                | 1733  | ...                 | 956 ( 424 „ 532 „ )             | ...  | 14429                                 |
| 1907-8     | ...                | 1025  | ...                 | 991 ( 397 „ 594 „ )             | ...  | 15420                                 |
| Totals     | 24848              | 15420 | (7114 „ 8306 „ )    |                                 |      |                                       |

The Borrowers to May 31st, 1897, from 'December 1st, 1877, numbered 18575—7202 females and 11373 males—to whom had been issued 59394 tickets.



*Wards wherein Borrowers Resided.*

|        |            |     | Population<br>in 1901. | New Borrowers<br>in 1907-8. |     |     | Borrowers<br>since<br>May 31st, 1897. |       |
|--------|------------|-----|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|-----|---------------------------------------|-------|
| 1.     | Conisford  | ... | 5540                   | ...                         | ... | 50  | ...                                   | 905   |
| 2.     | Ber Street | ... | 8100                   | ...                         | ... | 52  | ...                                   | 648   |
| 3.     | Mancroft   | ... | 3960                   | ...                         | ... | 38  | ...                                   | 738   |
| 4.     | Westwick   | ... | 6385                   | ...                         | ... | 48  | ...                                   | 1108  |
| 5.     | Coslany    | ... | 6580                   | ...                         | ... | 43  | ...                                   | 692   |
| 6.     | Fye Bridge | ... | 7455                   | ...                         | ... | 67  | ...                                   | 700   |
| 7.     | Thorpe     | ... | 5950                   | ...                         | ... | 68  | ...                                   | 1014  |
| 8.     | Lakenham   | ... | 6001                   | ...                         | ... | 29  | ...                                   | 587   |
| 9.     | Town Close | ... | 6341                   | ...                         | ... | 51  | ...                                   | 879   |
| 10.    | Eaton      | ... | 11387                  | ...                         | ... | 135 | ...                                   | 2159  |
| 11.    | Nelson     | ... | 6805                   | ...                         | ... | 52  | ...                                   | 1110  |
| 12.    | Earlham    | ... | 6341                   | ...                         | ... | 77  | ...                                   | 1262  |
| 13.    | Heigham    | ... | 6650                   | ...                         | ... | 42  | ...                                   | 632   |
| 14.    | Wensum     | ... | 6230                   | ...                         | ... | 25  | ...                                   | 548   |
| 15.    | Catton     | ... | 9171                   | ...                         | ... | 117 | ...                                   | 1264  |
| 16.    | Mousehold  | ... | 8832                   | ...                         | ... | 97  | ...                                   | 1174  |
| Totals |            | ... | 111728                 | ...                         | ... | 991 | ...                                   | 15420 |

In previous Reports the above statistics were given for the *Eight Wards* into which the City was formerly divided, the total of 15813 Borrowers to March 25th, 1894, being apportioned as follows:—First Ward, 1169; Second, 1074; Third, 6132; Fourth, 387; Fifth, 1596; Sixth, 1715; Seventh, 2249; and Eighth, 1491—these, with the 2762 persons tabulated in the Report for 1897-8 as to residence in the above *Sixteen Wards*, making a total of 18575 Borrowers from December 1st. 1877, to May 31st, 1897.

The News Rooms for Men and Women (on the first floor) are open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., on week-days only; the Reading-Room (on the ground floor) is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on week-days, and from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Sundays; and the Lending and Reference Rooms (also on the ground floor) are open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on week-days only. The Reading Room will be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday; and the News, Lending, and Reference Rooms on Bank Holidays, Christmas Day, and Good Friday.

*Classified Register of Issues of Books for 1907-8.*

| Months,<br>1907-8.  | Days<br>open. | Science,<br>Art,<br>and<br>Natural<br>History. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspond-<br>ence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and Mis-<br>cellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|---------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...           | 21            | 360                                            | 170                                      | 90                      | 8163     | 248                       | 839                                               | 77                   | 9947               | 474                         |
| May ...             | 26            | 409                                            | 220                                      | 81                      | 7993     | 364                       | 761                                               | 81                   | 9909               | 381                         |
| June ...            | 25            | 349                                            | 194                                      | 86                      | 7743     | 350                       | 762                                               | 62                   | 9546               | 382                         |
| July ...            | 27            | 370                                            | 155                                      | 88                      | 7526     | 271                       | 765                                               | 67                   | 9242               | 342                         |
| August ...          | 26            | 375                                            | 151                                      | 76                      | 7586     | 262                       | 673                                               | 36                   | 9159               | 352                         |
| September ...       | 11            | 224                                            | 84                                       | 26                      | 3862     | 159                       | 353                                               | 24                   | 4732               | 430                         |
| October ...         | 27            | 409                                            | 132                                      | 102                     | 8022     | 295                       | 730                                               | 65                   | 9755               | 388                         |
| November ...        | 26            | 501                                            | 169                                      | 97                      | 8583     | 344                       | 757                                               | 81                   | 10532              | 405                         |
| December ...        | 23            | 373                                            | 137                                      | 73                      | 7602     | 278                       | 685                                               | 63                   | 9211               | 400                         |
| January ...         | 27            | 444                                            | 194                                      | 97                      | 9310     | 284                       | 797                                               | 61                   | 11187              | 414                         |
| February ...        | 25            | 473                                            | 176                                      | 103                     | 8905     | 333                       | 774                                               | 73                   | 10837              | 433                         |
| March ...           | 26            | 455                                            | 181                                      | 104                     | 8397     | 366                       | 702                                               | 79                   | 10284              | 396                         |
| Totals              | 290           | 4742                                           | 1963                                     | 1023                    | 93692    | 3554                      | 8598                                              | 769                  | 114341             | 394                         |
| Percentages, 1907-8 | ...           | 4.15                                           | 1.72                                     | 0.90                    | 81.93    | 3.11                      | 7.52                                              | 0.67                 | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages, 1906-7 | ...           | 3.24                                           | 1.42                                     | 0.77                    | 83.46    | 2.43                      | 8.06                                              | 0.62                 | ...                | ...                         |

*Classified Register of Issues of Books from 1878 to 1907-8.*

| Years.                   | Days open. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|--------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ...         | 1275       | 7069                               | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                  | 1675              | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ...      | 1265       | 11730                              | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                  | 1381              | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...     | 1170       | 17502                              | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                  | 2282              | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May) ... | 982        | 12270                              | 5024                          | 2719              | 308616   | 12868               | 34229                                  | 2118              | 377844        | 385                   |
| To May 31st, 1897 ...    | 4692       | 48571                              | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                 | 7456              | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (from Sept. 13th) | 137        | 2005                               | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                | 3939                                   | 343               | 55139         | 402                   |
| 1898-9 ...               | 258        | 3876                               | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                   | 666               | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ...            | 235        | 3494                               | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                   | 777               | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ...              | 232        | 3975                               | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                   | 741               | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ...               | 232        | 4173                               | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                   | 711               | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3 ...               | 237        | 4315                               | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                | 6450                                   | 704               | 112112        | 473                   |
| 1903-4 ...               | 255        | 3638                               | 1618                          | 820               | 111492   | 3293                | 6836                                   | 714               | 128411        | 504                   |
| 1904-5 ...               | 255        | 3332                               | 1452                          | 832               | 108350   | 2564                | 8342                                   | 613               | 125485        | 492                   |
| 1905-6 ...               | 255        | 4083                               | 1647                          | 896               | 110954   | 2847                | 9407                                   | 820               | 130654        | 512                   |
| 1906-7 ...               | 253        | 3977                               | 1737                          | 942               | 102317   | 2973                | 9883                                   | 761               | 122590        | 485                   |
| 1907-8 ...               | 290        | 4742                               | 1963                          | 1023              | 93692    | 3554                | 8598                                   | 769               | 114341        | 394                   |
| Totals ...               | 7331       | 90181                              | 44014                         | 21699             | 2038796  | 90709               | 254581                                 | 15075             | 2555055       | 349                   |
| Percentages ...          | ...        | 3-53                               | 1-72                          | 0-85              | 79-80    | 3-55                | 9-96                                   | 0-59              | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26th instead of January 1st; and in 1899 it closed March 31st instead of March 25th. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13th, 1897. See note on page 13.

*Monthly Issue of Books from 1878 to 1907-8.*

| Years.                  | Jan.   | Feb.   | March. | April. | May.  | June.  | July.  | Aug.   | Sept.  | Oct.   | Nov.   | Dec.   | Totals. |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1878 to *1882           | 13154  | 13986  | 15145  | 14828  | 14455 | 13359  | 14392  | 6327   | 6774   | 11713  | 13995  | 14144  | 152272  |
| 1883 to 1887-8          | 35193  | 35006  | 38062  | 27961  | 28962 | 26590  | 26622  | 8981   | 27101  | 31064  | 30725  | 28725  | 344992  |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3        | 39522  | 39113  | 36408  | 37968  | ...   | 38899  | 41689  | 41867  | 39571  | 45067  | 42453  | 42748  | 445305  |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May)    | 43221  | 39606  | 30066  | 30093  | ...   | 30126  | 32544  | 33094  | 31601  | 36551  | 34165  | 36777  | 377844  |
| To May 31st, 1897       | 125532 | 122136 | 106423 | 109075 | 15308 | 102900 | 117010 | 119681 | 114041 | 129965 | 125610 | 132732 | 1320413 |
| 1897-8 (from Sep. 13th) | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...    | ...   | 4031   | 8186   | 8515   | 7905   | 9530   | 9089   | 7883   | 55139   |
| 1898-9...               | 9412   | 8734   | 8231   | 8419   | 8033  | 8606   | 9380   | 8929   | 8646   | 10008  | 9607   | 12091  | 110096  |
| 1899-1900               | 10428  | 10000  | 8845   | 8766   | ...   | 9257   | 9536   | 9662   | 8885   | 10689  | 10052  | 11473  | 107293  |
| 1900-01                 | 9782   | 10062  | 9623   | 9243   | ...   | 10044  | 11345  | 10752  | 10099  | 11274  | 10714  | 12035  | 114973  |
| 1901-2...               | 10586  | 10009  | 9534   | 8914   | ...   | 9632   | 10541  | 11515  | 10050  | 11439  | 10706  | 10622  | 113548  |
| 1902-3...               | 10535  | 10277  | 8561   | 9042   | ...   | 9635   | 10182  | 10189  | 10005  | 11728  | 10666  | 11292  | 112112  |
| 1903-4...               | 10194  | 10314  | 9175   | 9226   | 9049  | 10454  | 12088  | 11084  | 10385  | 12407  | 11825  | 12210  | 128411  |
| 1904-5...               | 10940  | 9662   | 9223   | 9391   | 9391  | 10079  | 10806  | 10667  | 10221  | 11709  | 11268  | 12305  | 125485  |
| 1905-6...               | 10925  | 10622  | 9179   | 9257   | 9142  | 10868  | 10965  | 11386  | 11260  | 12336  | 11752  | 12962  | 130654  |
| 1906-7...               | 10451  | 10342  | 10026  | 9220   | 9267  | 9722   | 10810  | 10472  | 9876   | 11097  | 10554  | 10753  | 122590  |
| 1907-8...               | 9947   | 9909   | 9546   | 9242   | 9159  | 4732   | 9755   | 10532  | 9211   | 11187  | 10837  | 10284  | 114341  |
| Totals                  | 228732 | 222067 | 198366 | 199618 | 69349 | 199960 | 230604 | 233384 | 220284 | 253369 | 242680 | 256642 | 2555055 |
| Percentages...          | 8-95   | 8-69   | 7-76   | 7-81   | 2-71  | 7-82   | 9-02   | 9-14   | 8-62   | 9-92   | 9-49   | 10-07  | ...     |

\* In 1882 the Library was closed ten, and in 1897 eleven, weeks extra. See note on page 12.

*A Selection from the Additions to the Library  
during 1907-8.*

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Alden and Hayward's Housing. Allen's Evolution of the Idea of God. Ashton's Romances of Chivalry. Autobiography and Memoirs of the 8th Duke of Argyll. Ave's Co-operative Industry. Baring's A Year in Russia. Beaumont and Fletcher's Works. Bell's At the Works: Study of a Manufacturing Town (Middlesbrough). Black's Sweated Industry and the Maximum Wage. British Artist Series—Burne-Jones, Leighton, Millais, Reynolds, Rossetti, and Turner. Broadley's Adjusting and Repairing Violins. Buley's Australian Life in Town and Country. Buxton's Europe and the Turks. Campbell's Christianity and the Social Order and New Theology Sermons. Cash's Our Slaughter-House System. Cassell's Glues and Cements, and Simple Forge Work. Cavanagh's Care of the Body. Clapham's Woollen and Worsted Industry. Clayden's History of Devonshire Scenery: Geographical Evolution. Cornish's Animal Artisans. Darwin's Municipal Trade. DeVries Plant Breeding: Experiments of Nilsson and Burbank. Duke of Abruzzi's On the 'Polar Star' in the Arctic Sea. Freeth's True Theology. Gibson's Romance of Modern Photography. Graham's Taxation and Local Government. Greg's Creed of Christendom. Grohman's Land in the Mountains (The Tyrol). Guest's Art and the Camera. Gwatkin's Knowledge of God. Haeckel's Wonders of Life; Biological Philosophy. Haggard's Farmer's Year. Haldane's Pathway to Reality. Hall's Our English Towns and Villages. Hall's Woman's Trek from the Cape to Cairo. Hampson's Modern Thralldom, a New Social Gospel. Haydn's Chats on Old Prints. Henson's Christian Marriage. Horsley and Sturge's Alcohol and the Human Body. Howden's Boy's Book of Locomotives. Humphrey's Insect



Ways on Summer Days. Jebb's Small Holdings of England. Johnson's Life and Voyages of Joseph Wiggins. Kinneear's Teachings of the Lord in the Gospel. Le Soueff's Wild Life in Australia. Leader's Through Jamaica with a Kodak. Lloyd's Swiss Democracy: The Study of a Sovereign People. Lowerison's Field and Folklore. Maeterlinck's Life and Flowers. Maitland's Life and Letters of Leslie Stephen. Meakin's Woman in Transition. Memoirs of Archbishop Temple, by seven Friends. Mitton's Children's Book of Stars. Morrison's The Service of Man: Essay on the Religion of the Future. Old Faith and the New Theology, by 13 writers, ed. by C. H. Vine. Paston Letters, ed. by J. Gairdner. Patterson's Man Eaters of Tsavo and East African Adventures. Patterson's Wild Life in a Norfolk Estuary. Pearce's Tariffs and Trusts. Pratt's The Licensed Trade, an Independent Survey. Punnett's Mendelism. Rankin's Art and Practice of Laundry Work. Russell's Seeing and Hearing. Sander's Book of the Potato and Vegetables and their Culture. Schrenck's Jesus and His Teaching. Schultz's My Life as an Indian. Seestern's Armageddon, 190—, tr. by G. Herring. Sheppard's Memoir of George, Duke of Cambridge. Sims's The Black Stain. Slater's English Peasantry and the Enclosure of Common Fields. Socialism, its Fallacies and Dangers, ed. by F. Millar. Special Reports on Educational Subjects. Sutherland's Old Age Pensions in Theory and Practice. Symes's Story of the East Country. Technical Instruction Handbooks, ed. by P. N. Hasluck, including Boot and Shoe Pattern Cutting and Clicking, Brickwork, Gasfitting, Plumbers' Work, and Sanitary Construction in Building. Temple Primers:—English Drama, Gothic Architecture, Local Government, Patent System, Sacred Literature, &c. Thompson's Gardener's Assistant, 6 vols. Tippo Tib, Story of his Career in South Africa, narrated by H. Brodie, tr. by H. Havelock. Walwyn's Pictures from Nature's Garden: Wood and Field. Warner's Landmarks in English Industrial Industry. Wheeler's Old English Furniture, of 17th and 18th Centuries. Wilson's Nature Round the House. Wood's Illustrated Natural History, 3 vols. Work Handbooks, ed. by P. N. Hasluck, including Bent Iron Work, Building Model Boats, Cycle Building and Repairing, Dynamos and Electric Motors, Glass Writing, &c. Wright's Profitable Fruit Growing for Cottagers, &c.



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Works in parts or volumes as published have here, too, been added—such as Abridgments of Specifications for Patents, Board

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Aglionby's Life of Edward Henry Bickersteth, Bishop and Poet. Calendar to Cambridge Wills, 1501 to 1765. Clarke's Short Historical Guide to Thetford. Catling's History of Bury St. Edmund's. Copinger's Index Nominum et Locorum to Suffolk Records and MSS. Corolla Sancti Eadmundi, Garland of St. Edmund; ed. by Lord F. Hervey. Crisp's Calendar of Wills at Ipswich, 1444-1600. Diary of John Rous, of Santon Downham, 1625-42. Everett's Tithes, their History, &c. Farrer's Portraits in Suffolk Houses (West). Hand-list of Lord Amherst's Collection of Books and MSS. at Didlington. Hillen's History of King's Lynn. Historical MSS. Commission's Reports (portions relating to Norfolk). Leaves from the Note Book of Lady Dorothy Nevill. Martineau's Notes on the Pedigree of the Martineau Family. Memorials of Old Norfolk, ed. by H. J. D. Astley. Moor's, Suffolk Words and Phrases, 1823.

Norfolk Parish Registers, Marriages, Vol. 3, 1557 to 1836. Norwich Poll Books, 1847, 1852, and 1857. Old English Masters, engraved by T. Cole; Notes by J. C. Van Dyke. Pocket Memorandum Books for 1788 and 1811. Rye's Norfolk Antiquarian Miscellany, 2nd series, Part 2; and State Papers relating to Musters, Beacons, &c., in Norfolk from 1626 to Civil War. St. Stephen's Parish, Transcript of MS. by Benjamin Mackerel, 1729, with continuation by E. Evans, 1861. Stirling's Coke of Norfolk and His Friends. William Clarke: Collection of His Writings with Biography. Wright's Geological Description of Hunstanton Cliff.

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 †Progress  
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- \*†Sunday League Advocate
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- Essex, Herts, and Middlesex
- Hants, Wilts, and Dorsetshire
- Kent, Surrey, and Sussex

- Lancashire, except Liverpool and Manchester; with Gore's
- Liverpool and Suburbs, and Slater's Manchester, Salford, and Suburban
- Lincolnshire, with Hull and Neighbourhood [Suburbs
- London, and London County
- Somersetshire and Gloucestershire, with Bristol
- Yorks (West Riding; and North and East Ridings, with York)

*Revenue Account for the Year*

**Expenditure.**

|                                                  |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £     | s. | d. |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-------|----|----|
| To Salaries—Librarian                            | ... | ... | 150 | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Sub-Librarian                                    | ... | ... | 125 | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Assistants                                       | ... | ... | 363 | 7  | 9  |       |    |    |
| Typist                                           | ... | ... | 45  | 10 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Charwoman                                        | ... | ... | 20  | 16 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                  |     |     |     |    |    | 704   | 13 | 9  |
| Loan—Interest                                    | ... | ... | 38  | 6  | 8  |       |    |    |
| Sinking Fund                                     | ... | ... | 52  | 13 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Income Tax                                       | ... | ... | 2   | 0  | 4  |       |    |    |
|                                                  |     |     |     |    |    | 93    | 0  | 0  |
| Insurance                                        | ... | ... | 16  | 3  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Rates                                            | ... | ... | 60  | 8  | 4  |       |    |    |
| Books Purchased                                  | ... | ... | 145 | 7  | 11 |       |    |    |
| Binding Books                                    | ... | ... | 46  | 1  | 10 |       |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals                       | ... | ... | 113 | 12 | 3  |       |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery                          | ... | ... | 40  | 4  | 4  |       |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows                                 | ... | ... | 9   | 10 | 0  |       |    |    |
| General Repairs, Repairs to Fittings, and        |     |     |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Cleaning                                         | ... | ... | 50  | 5  | 2  |       |    |    |
| Electric Fittings and Repairs                    | ... | ... | 28  | 3  | 5  |       |    |    |
| Electric Light                                   | ... | ... | 89  | 16 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Gas, Water, Fuel                                 | ... | ... | 37  | 4  | 1  |       |    |    |
| Attendance of Librarian and Sub-Librarian at     |     |     |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Annual Meeting of Library Association at         |     |     |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Glasgow                                          | ... | ... | 9   | 6  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Winding, Regulating, &c., Clocks                 | ... | ... | 1   | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
| Librarian's Disbursements                        | ... | ... | 13  | 12 | 9  |       |    |    |
| Bookcases, Shelves, and Fittings                 | ... | ... | 62  | 10 | 5  |       |    |    |
| Heating                                          | ... | ... | 65  | 12 | 11 |       |    |    |
| Repaving Entrance Hall, Painting, and Dis-       |     |     |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| tempering                                        | ... | ... | 60  | 17 | 9  |       |    |    |
|                                                  |     |     |     |    |    | 850   | 8  | 0  |
| Balance, being excess of Income over Expenditure |     |     |     |    |    | 58    | 1  | 5  |
|                                                  |     |     |     |    |    | £1706 | 3  | 2  |

*Fines Account for the Year*

|                                                             |     |     | £   | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection |     |     | 40  | 5  | 9  |
| Balance, being excess Income over Expenditure               | ... | ... | 5   | 13 | 8  |
|                                                             |     |     | £45 | 19 | 5  |

**Liabilities.**

|                                                 |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| To Sundry Creditors                             | ... | ... |     |    |    | 150  | 12 | 1  |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1907               | ... | ... | 85  | 1  | 5  |      |    |    |
| Ditto for current year                          | ... | ... | 58  | 1  | 5  |      |    |    |
|                                                 |     |     |     |    |    | 143  | 2  | 10 |
| Fines Account Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1907 |     |     | 136 | 5  | 3  |      |    |    |
| Ditto for the current year                      | ... | ... | 5   | 13 | 8  |      |    |    |
|                                                 |     |     |     |    |    | 141  | 18 | 11 |
|                                                 |     |     |     |    |    | £435 | 13 | 10 |

ended 31st March, 1908.

# Income.

|                                                                                             |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Sale of Catalogues                                                                       | ... | ... | 6   | 5  | 9  |      |    |    |
| Borrowers' Tickets                                                                          | ... | ... | 8   | 17 | 3  |      |    |    |
| Papers                                                                                      | ... | ... | 1   | 4  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Post Cards, &c.                                                                             | ... | ... | 3   | 1  | 2  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    |      |    |    |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June 1907                                        | ... | ... | 412 | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1907 | ... | ... | 845 | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1908                                    | —   | ... | 429 | 5  | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    | 1686 | 15 | 0  |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    | 1706 | 3  | 2  |

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ended 31st March, 1908.

|          |     |     |     |     |     | £   | s. | d. |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| By Fines | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45  | 19 | 5  |
|          |     |     |     |     |     | £45 | 19 | 5  |

## REVENUE ACCOUNT.

## Assets.

|                        |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £   | s. | d. |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| By Sundry Debtors      | ... | ... |     |    |    | 66  | 19 | 3  |
| Cash in hand—Treasurer | ... | ... | 358 | 14 | 7  |     |    |    |
| Librarian              | ... | ... | 10  | 0  | 0  |     |    |    |
|                        |     |     |     |    |    | 368 | 14 | 7  |

£435 13 10

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

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*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

*(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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*I bequeath\**

*\*Books, Pictures, or  
other objects of Art  
or Interest.*

*to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personal Estate; and I further direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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Donations may be intimated to the Librarian, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Committee.

## NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

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Area of the City—7,582 Acres.

Estimated Population of the City, in middle of 1907—119,191.

Rateable Value of the City, 1908—£457,348.

Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £. 1908—£1,717.

Libraries Act Adopted—1850.

Library Opened—March, 1857.

Extension of Hours Library to be Open—April, 1907.

Present Librarian Appointed—January, 1901.

Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.

Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—

Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.

Reading Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.

Opening of Reading Room on ground floor—April, 1907.

Books issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.

Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.

Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.

Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.

„ „ December, 1907, 46,176 Books (and 10,401 Pamphlets).

„ „ per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4'35.

„ „ „ „ December, 1907, 38'96.

Issues for Home Reading: December, 1877, 1,100

„ „ December, 1907, 9,211.

„ „ Total since 1877, 2,555,055.





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***THE REPORT***

OF THE

**FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE**

TO THE

**TOWN COUNCIL.**

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**1908-9.**

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(See Council Agenda, 20th July, 1909).

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MILLER,

TOWN CLERK.

# NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

Area of the City—7,906 Acres.

Estimated population of the City, 1908—122,841.

Rateable Value of the City, 1909—£461,726.

Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £. 1909—£1,739.

Public Libraries Act Adopted—1850.

Library Opened—March, 1857.

Extension of Hours Library to be Open—April, 1907

Present Librarian Appointed—October, 1908

Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.

Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—

Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.

Reading Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.

Opening of Reading Room on ground floor—April, 1907.

Books issued by Indicator System—September, 1897.

Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.

Minimum Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.

Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.

„ „ March, 1909, 47,446 Books (and 10,472 Pamphlets).

„ „ per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4·35.

„ „ „ „ March, 1909, 38·62.

Issues for Home Reading: December, 1877, 1,100.

„ „ December, 1908, 6,420.

„ „ Total since 1877, 2,641,932.

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## HOURS OF OPENING.

|                      |   |                                     |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| LENDING DEPARTMENT   | } | 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on<br>Week-days. |
| REFERENCE DEPARTMENT |   |                                     |

READING-ROOM—10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Week-days; 3 p.m.  
to 9 p.m. on Sundays.

NEWS-ROOMS—9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Week-days.

The whole of the Library building is closed on Christmas Day and Good-Friday; while on other Bank Holidays the Reading-Room only is open.

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**THE REPORT**

OF THE

**FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE**

FOR THE

**YEAR ENDED MARCH 31st, 1909.**

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Gibbs & Waller, Lithographers and Printers, Colegate Street, Norwich.

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# COMMITTEE.

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THE MAYOR—WALTER RYE, Esq.

*Chairman*—MR. COUN. HENRY J. COPEMAN

*Vice-Chairman*—MR. ALD. R. G. BAGSHAW

|                                              |                     |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| MR. ALD. A. G. HOWLETT<br>( <i>Sheriff</i> ) | MR. COUN. G. CUBITT |
| MR. COUN. A. W. F. BAGGE                     | MR. COUN. F. EASTON |

MR. COUN. H. NEWHOUSE (*Added by Council, May 18th, 1909*)

|                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| MR. T. S. BREESE      | MR. F. W. HARMER    |
| MR. H. F. EUREN       | MR. J. F. HENDERSON |
| MR. BOSWORTH HARCOURT | MR. T. SOUTHWELL    |

|                                      |                                      |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Town Clerk</i> —ARNOLD H. MILLER  | <i>City Engineer</i> —A. E. COLLINS  |
| <i>City Treasurer</i> —H. G. BARCLAY | <i>City Accountant</i> —A. F. GENTRY |

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*Librarian*—LLEWELLYN R. HAGGERSTON

*Superintendent of Reading-Room*—J. G. TENNANT

*Senior Assistants*—J. FINCH, R. LLOYD, and G. LONG

*Junior Assistants*—F. PARKER and R. RESTIEAUX

*Typist*—Miss L. M. SHORTEN

*Attendants*—W. H. HALL and M. KELTY.

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Committee Meetings at the Library, on the fourth Wednesday;  
Sub-Committee (book-buying), on the second Wednesday in each  
month, at 3-30 p.m.

# REPORT, 1908-9.

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The Free Library Committee has the pleasure to report on the working of the Library during the year ended March 31st, 1909.

The past year has been unmarked by any feature of outstanding interest, but has seen the adoption of several new methods, which it is confidently hoped will add considerably to the usefulness of the Library to the Citizens.

The improved method of heating mentioned in the last Report has been at work throughout the winter of 1908-9, and has proved satisfactory. It has been found quite easy to maintain an equable temperature throughout the building, which has added greatly to the comfort of both readers and staff.

During the year it was necessary to alter the positions of some of the electric lights, and in the course of the work it was found that the wiring of the building was in an unsatisfactory condition. The City Electrical Engineer was asked to report to the Committee and to make recommendations. He found that many of the wires were insufficiently protected and that the installation was obsolete, in addition to having almost reached the limit of a useful existence. Acting upon this advice, your Committee recommended to the Town Council that the whole building should be re-wired. This has been done by the Electricity Department, the wires being run in metal conduits. Advantage was taken of the opportunity to re-arrange the lights and switchboards, which have been placed in more convenient positions. By the use of metallic filament lamps the lighting has been considerably improved, while the cost of current bids fair to be lessened. The arrangement of bracket lamps between book stacks, each lamp operated by a hanging switch, has been found to be exceedingly convenient as well as economical.

In view of the distress due to unemployment, the Town Council requested Committees to put in hand such work as they could. The Library Committee decided to have the Library building cleaned and re-decorated. The whole of the ceilings and walls have been washed down and distempered by unemployed painters, working under the direct supervision of the City Engineer, with the result that the Library presents a much cleaner

and brighter appearance. It is worthy of note that it was found possible to do this work without closing the Library to the public, and that the work was most efficiently carried out.

To obviate the overcrowding which often occurs in the Men's News-room, the Librarian suggested a re-arrangement of the news slopes and tables. These suggestions have been adopted by the Committee; it is confidently hoped that the proposed alterations will very materially add to the comfort of users of the room in addition to rendering oversight by the attendant easier and more complete. The work is being done by the Corporation Works Department, but had not been completed during the period covered by this Report.

In order to still further safeguard against the risk of infection being carried by books belonging to the Library, more stringent precautions have been adopted. Hitherto the practice has been for the Medical Officer of Health to send notice to the Librarian as soon as he received notification of infectious disease in any house where books were borrowed from the Library. The Librarian then intimated to the householder that no books were to be borrowed by persons living in his house, until he produced a certificate that the premises were free from infection. The new arrangement is that if any books have been in direct contact with the patient they are to be removed, with the patient, to the Isolation Hospital and there retained permanently. It is believed that these precautions are sufficient to render it almost impossible for books belonging to the Free Library to be the vehicle for the conveyance of infection. In view of the timidity of many persons it is desirable to call attention to the fact that probably no library in the city exercises such stringent precautions as does that belonging to the Municipality.

The Committee subscribes to, and regularly receives the publications of, the following Societies:—British Record Society, British Numismatic Society, Cambridge Antiquarian Society, Early English Text Society, Egypt Exploration Fund, Library Association, National Home Reading Union, Palæontographical Society, Ray Society, Pipe Roll Society, Viking Club, and Zoological Society.

The "Circulars" and other publications of the Emigrants' Information Office are received regularly; while the Agents-General for the various colonies are constantly forwarding guides and handbooks which are of value to those who may be contemplating emigration.

The Lending Department was open on 305 days, while the issues numbered 86,877; a daily average of 285. Compared with the previous year, the issues have decreased by 27,464. On March



31st, 1909, the number of ticket holders was 4052. Each borrower is entitled to have a second ticket, available for any book other than a work of fiction; 277 of these tickets were issued. Most borrowers return their books promptly, yet the sum of £33 10s. 6d. was received from fines for detention of books beyond the fourteen days allowed.

The Reference Department contains a stock of 23,170 inclusive of 4974 in the Local Collection; there are also 10,472 pamphlets, 6236 being of a local character. The additions numbered 486 books and 71 pamphlets. The recorded issues amounted to 7709 divided thus:—Biography, 286; Fiction, 76; History and Travel, 446; Science, Art, and Natural History, 1349; Poetry, 185; Magazines and Miscellaneous, 3006; Local Collection, 1974. These figures do not include the very numerous consultations of Directories, Year-books, Dictionaries, and similar works which are on open shelves and the use of which is not recorded. Special loans, for home use, included 278 books and 59 pamphlets, while 712 over-date parts of magazines were loaned.

It is estimated that the average daily attendance in the Reading-room was 406 on week-days, and on Sundays 265.

The visitors to the News-rooms are estimated to have averaged 955 daily.

As in previous years over-date newspapers and periodicals, and worn-out books have been sent to the City Asylum, the Isolation Hospital, and the Workhouse.

The Library Committee has continued to place certain rooms on the top floor of the building at the disposal of the Distress Committee.

The Committee regrets that owing to ill-health Mr. Tennant has been compelled to give up the office of Librarian, but light occupation having been found for him the Library retains the benefit of his services. Mr. L. R. Haggerston, the former Sub-Librarian, has been appointed Librarian; while various alterations have been made in regard to the status and duties of certain members of the staff.

HENRY J. COPEMAN,

*Chairman.*

The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1908-9; but more detailed particulars will be found on pages 8 and 9.

#### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Stock, 24,276 volumes, being in—

|                                     |       |     |       |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History   | added | 79  | total | 3348  |
| Biography and Correspondence ...    | „     | 70  | „     | 2201  |
| Poetry and Drama ...                | „     | 11  | „     | 914   |
| Fiction ...                         | „     | 184 | „     | 7731  |
| History and Travel ...              | „     | 83  | „     | 3220  |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | „     | 50  | „     | 5801  |
| Law and Theology ...                | „     | 13  | „     | 1061  |
| Totals ...                          | „     | 490 | „     | 24276 |
| „ last year ...                     | „     | 607 | „     | 23786 |

Days opened ... 305 last year 290

#### Borrowers—

|                                                           |     |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|
| Borrowers under 20 years of age                           | ... | 1213 |
| „ over 20 years of age ...                                | ... | 2468 |
| „ unstated ages ...                                       | ... | 727  |
| Total Tickets issued in 1908-9 (1996 females, 2412 males) | ... | 4408 |
| Holding Tickets, March 31st, 1909                         | ... | 4052 |
| Using Tickets, March 31st, 1909...                        | ... | 2511 |

Issues, 86877 (88019 volumes); being in—

|                                     |        |          |       |
|-------------------------------------|--------|----------|-------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History   | 3079   | decrease | 1663  |
| Biography and Correspondence...     | 1216   | „        | 747   |
| Poetry and Drama ...                | 817    | „        | 206   |
| Fiction ...                         | 73125  | „        | 20567 |
| History and Travel ...              | 2313   | „        | 1241  |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | 5799   | „        | 2799  |
| Law and Theology ...                | 528    | „        | 241   |
| Totals ...                          | 86877  | „        | 27464 |
| „ last year ...                     | 114341 | „        | 8249  |

Average daily issues ... 285 last year 394  
 „ issues to ticket-holder, March 31st 21 „ 10  
 „ „ ticket-user, March 31st 34 „ 40

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                          |     |           |               |          |
|------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|---------------|----------|
| Fines for over-due books                 | ... | £33/10/6  | last year     | £45/19/5 |
| Sale of Catalogues                       | ... | £4/19/10½ | „             | £6/5/9   |
| Books replaced                           | ... | ...       | 108 last year | 52       |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders | ... | ...       | ...           | ...      |
| (132)                                    | ... | ...       | 5373          | „ 6542   |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                                   |      |                    |
|-----------------------------------|------|--------------------|
| Issues in all sections, including | 1370 | in                 |
| Reading and News rooms            | ...  | 7709 decrease 2678 |

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |       |      |       |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|------|-------|-------|
| Lending Department       | ... | added | 490  | total | 24276 |
| Reference Department     | ... | „     | 415  | „     | 18196 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | „     | 71   | „     | 4974  |
| <hr/>                    |     |       |      |       |       |
| Totals                   | ... | „     | 976  | „     | 47446 |
| „ last year              | ... | „     | 1280 | „     | 46470 |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |   |     |   |       |
|--------------------------|-----|---|-----|---|-------|
| Reference Department     | ... | „ | 5   | „ | 4236  |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | „ | 66  | „ | 6236  |
| <hr/>                    |     |   |     |   |       |
| Totals                   | ... | „ | 71  | „ | 10472 |
| „ last year              | ... | „ | 192 | „ | 10401 |

## PERCENTAGES—

|                                   |      |       |                          |
|-----------------------------------|------|-------|--------------------------|
| Stock (24276 volumes)             | ...  | 19.76 | per cent. of Population. |
| Issues (86877)                    | ...  | 70.72 | „ „                      |
| Ticket-holders, March 31st (4052) | 3.30 | „     | „                        |
| Total Stock (47446)               | ...  | 38.62 | „ „                      |

**Classified Register of Issues of Books from Lending Department for 1908-9.**

| Months,<br>1908-9.  | Days<br>open. | Science,<br>Art,<br>and<br>Natural<br>History. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspond-<br>ence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and Mis-<br>cellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|---------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...           | 22            | 187                                            | 74                                       | 30                      | 6047     | 156                       | 436                                               | 47                   | 6977               | 317                         |
| May ...             | 26            | 212                                            | 90                                       | 90                      | 6926     | 160                       | 589                                               | 60                   | 8127               | 313                         |
| June ...            | 25            | 229                                            | 104                                      | 55                      | 5846     | 172                       | 490                                               | 39                   | 6935               | 277                         |
| July ...            | 27            | 218                                            | 89                                       | 54                      | 5650     | 172                       | 493                                               | 40                   | 6716               | 249                         |
| August ...          | 25            | 267                                            | 87                                       | 52                      | 6248     | 195                       | 486                                               | 31                   | 7366               | 295                         |
| September ...       | 26            | 287                                            | 90                                       | 50                      | 6169     | 171                       | 452                                               | 44                   | 7263               | 279                         |
| October ...         | 27            | 282                                            | 91                                       | 86                      | 6534     | 229                       | 491                                               | 43                   | 7756               | 287                         |
| November ...        | 25            | 286                                            | 108                                      | 66                      | 6540     | 245                       | 438                                               | 26                   | 7709               | 308                         |
| December ...        | 25            | 229                                            | 97                                       | 85                      | 5344     | 183                       | 450                                               | 32                   | 6420               | 257                         |
| January ...         | 26            | 279                                            | 141                                      | 67                      | 6204     | 180                       | 522                                               | 43                   | 7436               | 286                         |
| February ...        | 24            | 263                                            | 101                                      | 79                      | 4785     | 202                       | 426                                               | 56                   | 5912               | 246                         |
| March ...           | 27            | 340                                            | 144                                      | 103                     | 6832     | 248                       | 526                                               | 67                   | 8280               | 306                         |
| Totals              | 305           | 3079                                           | 1216                                     | 817                     | 73125    | 2313                      | 5799                                              | 528                  | 86877              | 285                         |
| Percentages, 1908-9 | ...           | 3.54                                           | 1.40                                     | 0.94                    | 84.17    | 2.66                      | 6.68                                              | 0.61                 | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages, 1907-8 | ...           | 4.15                                           | 1.72                                     | 0.90                    | 81.93    | 3.11                      | 7.52                                              | 0.67                 | ...                | ...                         |

**Classified Register of Issues of Books from Lending Department 1878 to 1908-9.**

| Years.                   | Days open. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|--------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ...         | 1275       | 7069                               | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                  | 1675              | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ...      | 1265       | 11730                              | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                  | 1381              | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...     | 1170       | 17502                              | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                  | 2282              | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May) ... | 982        | 12270                              | 5024                          | 2719              | 308616   | 12868               | 34229                                  | 2118              | 377844        | 385                   |
| To May 31st, 1897 ...    | 4692       | 48571                              | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                 | 7456              | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (from Sept. 13th) | 137        | 2005                               | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                | 3939                                   | 343               | 55139         | 402                   |
| *1898-9 ...              | 258        | 3876                               | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                   | 666               | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ...            | 235        | 3494                               | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                   | 777               | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ...              | 232        | 3975                               | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                   | 741               | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ...               | 232        | 4173                               | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                   | 711               | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3 ...               | 237        | 4315                               | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                | 6450                                   | 704               | 112112        | 473                   |
| 1903-4 ...               | 255        | 3638                               | 1618                          | 820               | 111492   | 3293                | 6836                                   | 714               | 128411        | 504                   |
| 1904-5 ...               | 255        | 3332                               | 1452                          | 832               | 108350   | 2564                | 8342                                   | 613               | 125485        | 492                   |
| 1905-6 ...               | 255        | 4083                               | 1647                          | 896               | 110954   | 2847                | 9407                                   | 820               | 130654        | 512                   |
| 1906-7 ...               | 253        | 3977                               | 1737                          | 942               | 102317   | 2973                | 9883                                   | 761               | 122590        | 485                   |
| 1907-8 ...               | 290        | 4742                               | 1963                          | 1023              | 93692    | 3554                | 8598                                   | 769               | 114341        | 394                   |
| 1908-9 ...               | 305        | 3079                               | 1216                          | 817               | 73125    | 2313                | 5799                                   | 528               | 86877         | 285                   |
| Totals ...               | 7636       | 93260                              | 45230                         | 22516             | 2111921  | 93022               | 260380                                 | 15603             | 2641932       | 346                   |
| Percentages ...          | ...        | 3.53                               | 1.71                          | 0.85              | 79.94    | 3.52                | 9.86                                   | 0.59              | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26th instead of January 1st; and in 1899 it closed March 31st instead of March 25th. Books were first issued under the Indicator system on September 13th, 1897.

*Newspapers, Periodicals, Directories, and Year-Books supplied to the Reading and News Rooms. Those marked \* are placed on the Stands or Tables reserved for Women; those marked † are presented.*

## DAILIES.

|                                            |                       |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Birmingham Post                            | Montreal Gazette      |
| Daily Chronicle                            | Morning Post          |
| Daily News                                 | Pall Mall Gazette     |
| East Anglian Times                         | *Standard (2 copies)  |
| *†Eastern Daily Press (3 copies, 2 given)  | Star                  |
| *†Eastern Evening News (2 copies, 1 given) | *Telegraph (2 copies) |
| Liverpool Post and Mercury                 | Times                 |
| Manchester Guardian                        | Westminster Gazette   |
|                                            | Yorkshire Post        |

## BI-WEEKLY.

## TRI-WEEKLY.

|                                       |                            |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| *†Norwich Mercury (2 copies, 1 given) | Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|

## WEEKLIES.

|                                     |                                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Academy                             | Electrical Review                  |
| †Alliance News                      | Electrician                        |
| Architect                           | Engineer                           |
| Army and Navy Gazette               | Engineering                        |
| Athenæum                            | †English Churchman                 |
| †Board of Trade Journal             | English Mechanic                   |
| Boot and Shoe Trades Journal        | Era                                |
| †Boston Independent                 | *Family Herald; and Supplement     |
| Boy's Own Paper                     | Feathered World                    |
| Builder                             | Field                              |
| Building News                       | Gardeners' Magazine                |
| Cage Birds                          | *Graphic (2 copies)                |
| Canada                              | Great Thoughts                     |
| †Canadian Gazette                   | Grocer                             |
| Cassell's Saturday Journal          | †Guardian                          |
| †Catholic Times                     | *Illus. London News (2 copies)     |
| †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.  | †Illus. Official Journal (Patents) |
| Christian World (2 copies)          | Investors' Review                  |
| Church Times                        | †Journal of Society of Arts        |
| †Civil Service Aspirant             | †Justice                           |
| †Civil Service Candidate            | Labour Leader                      |
| †Civil Service Competitor           | Labour News                        |
| †Civil Service Gazette              | *Lady's Pictorial                  |
| Clarion                             | †Local Government Chronicle        |
| *†Co-operative News (2 copies)      | †Local Government Journal          |
| County Gentleman and Land and Water | L. G. O.                           |
| *†Cromer and North Walsham Post     | †Lowestoft Journal                 |
| *†Daylight (3 copies)               | *†Lowestoft Standard               |
| Draper's Record                     | Lynn Advertiser                    |
| †Eastern Counties' Times            | *Lynn News                         |
| *†Eastern Weekly Press              | M. A. P.                           |
|                                     | Mechanical World                   |



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>†Midland Counties' Herald</li> <li>Motor Traction</li> <li>Municipal Journal</li> <li>Nation</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Newcastle Chronicle</li> <li>*†Norfolk Chronicle (2 copies, 1 given)</li> <li>*†Norfolk News (2 copies, 1 given)</li> <li>*†Norfolk Weekly Standard and Argus (2 copies, 1 given)</li> <li>Notes and Queries</li> <li>Outlook</li> <li>*†People's Weekly Journal</li> <li>Pitman's Journal</li> <li>†Poor Law Officers' Journal</li> <li>†Practical Engineer</li> <li>†Present Truth</li> <li>Public Opinion</li> <li>Punch (2 copies)</li> <li>*Queen</li> <li>Saturday Review</li> <li>†School Government Chronicle</li> <li>School Guardian</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Schoolmaster</li> <li>*Schoolmistress</li> <li>Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List</li> <li>†Shop Assistant</li> <li>Spare Moments</li> <li>Spectator</li> <li>Sphere</li> <li>Superintendent and Foreman</li> <li>T. P.'s Weekly</li> <li>†Tablet</li> <li>†Tailor and Cutter</li> <li>Timber Trades' Journal</li> <li>Tit Bits</li> <li>†Trade Marks' Journal</li> <li>Truth</li> <li>†University Correspondent</li> <li>Volunteer Service Gazette</li> <li>*†Woman's Franchise</li> <li>Woodworker</li> <li>†Worcester Herald</li> <li>Work</li> <li>*†Yarmouth Independent (2 copies, 1 given)</li> <li>*Young Ladies' Journal</li> </ul> |
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## MONTHLIES.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Army List</li> <li>Art Journal</li> <li>Atlantic Monthly</li> <li>Bibliophile</li> <li>Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine</li> <li>†British Esperantist</li> <li>*†British Food Journal</li> <li>Burlington Magazine</li> <li>C. B. Fry's Magazine</li> <li>Canadian Magazine</li> <li>†Canadian Patent Office Record</li> <li>Cassell's Fam. Mag. (2 copies)</li> <li>Cassier's Magazine</li> <li>*†Catholic Fireside</li> <li>Century Illustrated</li> <li>Chambers' Journal (2 copies)</li> <li>†Charity Organisation Review</li> <li>Church Missionary Gleaner</li> <li>Church Missionary Review</li> <li>*†Church of England Gazette</li> <li>Clerk, The</li> <li>†Commonwealth</li> <li>†Concord</li> <li>Connoisseur; and Supp., Sale Prices</li> <li>Contemporary Review</li> <li>Cornhill Magazine</li> <li>†Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Jnl.</li> <li>Empire Review</li> <li>English Illustrated Magazine</li> <li>*†Epicure</li> <li>†Fire and Water</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Footwear</li> <li>†Forester's Miscellany</li> <li>Fortnightly Review</li> <li>†Geographical Journal</li> <li>Girls' Own Paper</li> <li>*†Goodwill</li> <li>Harper's Magazine</li> <li>†Herald of Peace and Olive Leaf</li> <li>*Herald of the Cross</li> <li>Idler</li> <li>†Individualist</li> <li>†Insurance Agent and Review</li> <li>†Jewish Missionary Intelligence</li> <li>Journal of Board of Agriculture</li> <li>†Labour Gazette</li> <li>*London Missionary Soc. Chron.</li> <li>Magazine of Commerce</li> <li>*†Mercy and Truth</li> <li>†Messenger</li> <li>†Millgate Monthly</li> <li>Missionary Review of World</li> <li>†Monthly Notes on Tariff Reform</li> <li>*†Musical Herald</li> <li>Musical Times</li> <li>National Defence</li> <li>National Review</li> <li>†National Service Journal</li> <li>†New Church Magazine</li> <li>Nineteenth Century</li> <li>Outing</li> <li>†Patents</li> </ul> |
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|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| †Plumber and Decorator       | †Social Democrat                 |
| †Popular Science Monthly     | †Socialist Review                |
| †Positivist                  | †State Correspondent             |
| *†Primrose League Gazette    | †Strand Magazine                 |
| †Progress (N.Y.M.C.A.)       | †Sunday at Home                  |
| †Quiver                      | *†Sunday League Advocate         |
| †Railway Clerk               | †Symon's Meteorological Magazine |
| †Rehabite and Temp. Magazine | †Tourist's Guide                 |
| *Regions Beyond              | †Vegetarian Messenger            |
| †Review of Reviews           | †Vulcan                          |
| †Science Progress            | †Warrant Officer's Naval Journal |
| †Scribner's Magazine         | †Westminster Review              |
| †Selborne Magazine           | †Zoologist                       |
| †Shoe Manufacturers' Monthly | †Zoophilist                      |

#### QUARTERLIES.

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| †Bird Notes and News   | Navy List            |
| †British Shoemaker     | †New Quarterly       |
| †Edinburgh Review      | †Post Office Guide   |
| †Englishwoman's Review | †Progress            |
| †Hibbert Journal       | †Quarterly Review    |
| †Ibis (Ornithological) | †Sociological Review |

#### YEAR-BOOKS.

- |                                    |                                     |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| †Australian Year-Book              | †Insurance Register                 |
| †Baptist Handbook                  | †Investors' Shilling Year-Book      |
| †British Almanac                   | †Jewish Year-Book                   |
| †Burdett's Hospitals and Charities | †Medical Register                   |
| †Catholic Directory, with Ordo.    | †Model Yacht Clubs' Year-Book       |
| †Church of England Year-Book       | †Municipal Year-Book                |
| †Congregational Year-Book          | †National Union of Teachers' Report |
| †Co-operative Wholesale Society's  | †Paton's List of Schools            |
| †Annual                            | †Poor Law Annual                    |
| †County Councils, &c., Companion   | †"Queen" Book of Travel             |
| †Crockford's Clerical Directory    | †Reformer's Year-Book               |
| †Daily Mail Year-Book              | †Schoolmasters' Year-Book           |
| †Englishwoman's Year-Book          | †Science Year-Book                  |
| †Financial Reform Almanac          | †Statesman's Year-Book              |
| †Foresters' Directory              | †Tonic Sol-Fa College Calendar      |
| †Free Church Year-Book             | †Whitaker's Almanac                 |
| †Fruit Growers' Year-Book          | †Whitaker's Peerage, Baronetage,    |
| †Gardening Year-Book               | †&c.                                |
| †Hazell's Annual                   | †Who's Who.                         |
| †Incorporated Soc. of Musicians'   | †Writers' and Artists' Year-Book    |
| †Year-Book                         | †Year's Art                         |

#### UNIVERSITY CALENDARS.

- |             |                                    |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| †Birmingham | †London                            |
| †Cambridge  | †Oxford                            |
| †Durham     | †Sheffield                         |
| †Leeds      | †University Correspondence College |
| †Liverpool  |                                    |

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

|                                  |                                    |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Bradshaw ; and Continental       | †Lancashire and Yorkshire          |
| †Caledonian                      | †London and North Western          |
| Cassell's A.B.C.                 | †London and South Western          |
| †Glasgow and South Western       | †London, Brighton, and South Coast |
| †Great Central                   | †Midland                           |
| †Great Eastern ; and Continental | †North British                     |
| †Great Northern                  | †North Eastern                     |
| †Great Western                   | †Norwich—Fletcher's ; Jarrold's    |
| †Highland                        | †South Eastern and Chatham         |

## DIRECTORIES.

|                                      |                                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| †Advertiser's A B C. (Browne's)      | Liverpool and suburbs.             |
| Beds., Hunts., and Northants.        | London, and London County          |
| Berks., Bucks., and Oxon.            | †Macdonald's English Directory and |
| Birmingham, Staffordshire. War-      | Gazetteer                          |
| wickshire, and Worcestershire        | Manchester and Salford             |
| Cambs., and Suffolk                  | Merchants, Manufacturers, and      |
| Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland, | Shippers                           |
| and Notts.                           | †Newspaper Press (Mitchell's)      |
| Devon and Cornwall                   | Norfolk                            |
| Durham and Northumberland            | Norwich (Jarrold's)                |
| Essex, Herts., and Middlesex         | Somerset and Gloucestershire       |
| Hants., Wilts., and Dorset           | Stubbs' Directory                  |
| Kent, Surrey, and Sussex             | Yorks. (North and East, and West   |
| Lincolnshire, with Hull              | Ridings)                           |

# REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

## Expenditure.

|                                                |     | £   | s.  | d. | £  | s.    | d.   |
|------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-------|------|
| To Salaries—L. R. Haggerston                   | ... | ... | 135 | 0  | 0  |       |      |
| J. G. Tennant                                  | ... | ... | 150 | 0  | 0  |       |      |
| Assistants                                     | ... | ... | 374 | 13 | 6  |       |      |
| Typist                                         | ... | ... | 51  | 18 | 9  |       |      |
| Charwoman                                      | ... | ... | 27  | 5  | 0  |       |      |
|                                                |     |     |     |    |    | 738   | 17 3 |
| Loans—Interest                                 | ... | ... | 38  | 6  | 8  |       |      |
| Sinking Fund                                   | ... | ... | 52  | 13 | 0  |       |      |
| Income Tax                                     | ... | ... | 2   | 0  | 4  |       |      |
|                                                |     |     |     |    |    | 93    | 0 0  |
| Insurance                                      | ... | ... | 18  | 1  | 6  |       |      |
| Rates                                          | ... | ... | 61  | 9  | 2  |       |      |
| Books Purchased                                | ... | ... | 153 | 1  | 4  |       |      |
| Binding Books                                  | ... | ... | 7   | 11 | 11 |       |      |
| Newspapers and Periodicals                     | ... | ... | 125 | 9  | 3  |       |      |
| Printing and Stationery                        | ... | ... | 55  | 0  | 4  |       |      |
| Cleaning Windows                               | ... | ... | 9   | 11 | 8  |       |      |
| General Repairs, Repairs to Fittings, and      |     |     |     |    |    |       |      |
| Cleaning                                       | ... | ... | 43  | 2  | 11 |       |      |
| Laying Linoleum (Reading Room)                 | ... | ... | 36  | 18 | 0  |       |      |
| Chairs                                         | ... | ... | 9   | 12 | 0  |       |      |
| Re-wiring of Electrical Installation           | ... | ... | 85  | 12 | 8  |       |      |
| Painting                                       | ... | ... | 104 | 9  | 9  |       |      |
| Additional Telephone Instruments, &c.          | ... | ... | 1   | 1  | 7  |       |      |
| Electric Fittings and Repairs                  | ... | ... | 19  | 3  | 6  |       |      |
| Electric Light                                 | ... | ... | 75  | 3  | 5  |       |      |
| Gas, Water, Fuel                               | ... | ... | 8   | 11 | 1  |       |      |
| Steam for Heating                              | ... | ... | 67  | 17 | 0  |       |      |
| Attendance of Mr. Haggerston at Annual Meeting |     |     |     |    |    |       |      |
| of Library Association at Brighton             | ... | ... | 4   | 0  | 0  |       |      |
| Winding, Regulating, &c., Clocks               | ... | ... | 1   | 11 | 4  |       |      |
| Librarian's Disbursements                      | ... | ... | 13  | 8  | 1  |       |      |
| Building Sub-way and Fittings for Heating      |     |     |     |    |    |       |      |
| Library by Steam from Electricity Works—       |     |     |     |    |    |       |      |
| further                                        | ... | ... | 38  | 11 | 0  |       |      |
| Honarium to Mr. Haggerston—Extra Services      | ... | ... | 20  | 0  | 0  |       |      |
| Transfer to Fines Account—Repayment of         |     |     |     |    |    |       |      |
| temporary advance                              | ... | ... | 100 | 0  | 0  |       |      |
|                                                |     |     |     |    |    | 1059  | 7 6  |
|                                                |     |     |     |    |    | £1891 | 4 9  |

## Fines Account for the Year

|                                                             |     | £  | s. | d.        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----------|
| To Books Purchased in further Extension of Local Collection | ... | 36 | 15 | 8         |
| Balance, being excess Income over Expenditure               | ... | 96 | 14 | 10        |
|                                                             |     |    |    |           |
|                                                             |     |    |    | £133 10 6 |

## Liabilities.

|                                                 |     | BALANCE   | SHEET—    |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------|
|                                                 |     | £ s. d.   | £ s. d.   |
| To Sundry Creditors                             | ... |           | 90 8 10   |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1908               | ... | 143 2 10  |           |
| Less deficiency on Revenue Account              | ... | 135 11 9  |           |
|                                                 |     |           | 7 11 1    |
| Fines Account Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1908 | ... | 141 18 11 |           |
| Ditto for the current year                      | ... | 96 14 10  |           |
|                                                 |     |           | 238 13 9  |
|                                                 |     |           | £336 13 8 |

ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1909.

# Income.

|                                                                                             |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £ | s.   | d.   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|------|------|
| By Sale of Catalogues                                                                       | ... | ... | 4   | 19 | 10 |   |      |      |
| Borrowers' Tickets                                                                          | ... | ... | 19  | 18 | 4  |   |      |      |
| Papers                                                                                      | ... | ... |     | 16 | 10 |   |      |      |
| Post Cards, &c.                                                                             | ... | ... | 2   | 3  | 0  |   |      |      |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    |   | 27   | 18 0 |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1908                                       | ... | ... | 429 | 5  | 0  |   |      |      |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1908 | ... | ... | 864 | 0  | 0  |   |      |      |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1909                                    | ... | ... | 434 | 10 | 0  |   |      |      |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    |   | 1727 | 15 0 |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    |   | 1755 | 13 0 |

Balance being excess Expenditure over Income 135 11 9

£1891 4 9

ended 31st March, 1909.

|                                                              |     |     |     |     |     | £    | s. | d. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|----|----|
| By Fines                                                     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 33   | 10 | 6  |
| Transfer from Revenue Account—Repayment of temporary advance | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 100  | 0  | 0  |
|                                                              |     |     |     |     |     | £133 | 10 | 6  |

## REVENUE ACCOUNT.

## Assets.

|                        |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £   | s. | d. |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| By Sundry Debtors      | ... | ... |     |    |    | 16  | 3  | 6  |
| Cash in hand—Treasurer | ... | ... | 310 | 10 | 2  |     |    |    |
| Librarian              | ... | ... | 10  | 0  | 0  |     |    |    |
|                        |     |     |     |    |    | 320 | 10 | 2  |

ARTHUR F. GENTRY,  
City Accountant,

£336 13 8

*List of Donors, 1908-9.*

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In addition the periodicals marked † on pages 10-13 have been presented, and Annual Reports have been received from other Public Libraries.



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*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

*(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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*I bequeath\**

*\*Books, Pictures, or  
other objects of Art  
or Interest.*

*to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personable Estate: and I further direct that the Receipts of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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Donations may be intimated to the Librarian, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Committee.





CITY OF NORWICH.

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**THE REPORT**

OF THE

**FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE**

TO THE

TOWN COUNCIL.

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**1909-10.**

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(See Council Agenda, 25th April, 1911).

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MILLER,  
TOWN CLERK.

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NORWICH:

Gibbs & Waller, Ltd., Lithographers, Printers, and Bookbinders. Colegate Street.

# NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

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Area of the City—7,906 Acres.  
Estimated population of the City, 1909—124,136.  
Rateable Value of the City, 1910—£462,863.  
Amount produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £, 1910—£1,749.  
Public Libraries Act Adopted—1850.  
Library Opened—March, 1857.  
Extension of Hours Library to be Open—April, 1907.  
Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.  
Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—  
Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.  
Reading Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.  
Opening of Reading Room on ground floor—April, 1907.  
Books issued by Indicator System—13th September, 1897.  
Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.  
Minimum Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.  
Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.  
" " March, 1910, 48,436 Books (and 10,507 Pamphlets).  
" " per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4.35.  
" " " " March, 1910, 39.01.  
Issues for Home Reading; December, 1877, 1,100.  
" " December, 1909, 7,817.  
" " Total since 1877, 2,735,583.

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## HOURS OF OPENING.

|                                                                               |                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| LENDING DEPARTMENT                                                            | } 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on<br>Week-days. |
| REFERENCE DEPARTMENT                                                          |                                       |
| READING-ROOM—10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Week-days; 3 p.m.<br>to 9 p.m. on Sundays. |                                       |
| NEWS-ROOMS—9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Week-days.                                     |                                       |

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The whole of the Library building is closed on Christmas Day and Good-Friday; while on other Bank Holidays the Reading-Room only is open.

# COMMITTEE.

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Committee Meetings at the Library, on the fourth Wednesday  
in each month.





## REPORT, 1909-10.

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The Free Library Committee has the pleasure to report on the working of the Library during the year ended March 31st, 1910.

The work of the Library has proceeded steadily on the old lines, and the year has been characterized by very few features of exceptional importance. It is hoped, however, that the Library has continued to prove a source of pleasure and usefulness to the Citizens.

A list of the donors of books, pamphlets, etc., to the Library during the year is given on another page of this Report, and special mention may be made of the gift of 70 volumes of the Record Office publications by Mr. Walter Rye, and of the Norwich Mercury from 1876 to 1908, inclusive, by Messrs. Foster, Calvert and Marriott.

In this connection the Committee wishes to place on record an expression of the great loss the Library has sustained by the death of Mr. Thomas Southwell, who had been for many years an active and distinguished member of the Committee and a generous donor to the Library.

The Committee has also lost by death the services of Mr. W. H. Hall, the Reading Room Attendant, who was an old and valued officer, and his place has been filled by the appointment of Mr. W. Kirk.

Complaints were received as to the use of the Library by persons of dishonest or objectionable habits, and it was found necessary to prosecute a woman for mutilating a magazine in the Reading Room. A conviction was obtained and it is hoped that

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this, coupled with the additions to the rules which were approved by the Council on the 19th October, 1909, will have the effect of putting an end to such objectionable practices.

Some progress has been made with the catalogue, and amongst other matters which have received the attention of the Committee have been an increase in the amount for which the books in the Reference Department are insured against fire, and the contribution of an annual sum to the Incorporated Society of the Blind in order that books on the "Braille" system may be available for borrowers.

The Committee subscribes to, and regularly receives the publications of the following Societies :—British Record Society, British Numismatic Society, Cambridge Antiquarian Society, Early English Text Society, Egypt Exploration Fund, Library Association, National Home Reading Union, Palæontographical Society, Ray Society, Pipe Roll Society and Viking Club.

The "Circulars" and other publications of the Emigrants' Information Office are received regularly; while the Agents-General for the various colonies are constantly forwarding guides and handbooks which are of value to those who may be contemplating emigration.

The Lending Department was open on 304 days, while the issues numbered 93,651; a daily average of 308. Compared with the previous year, the issues have increased by 6,774. On March 31st, 1910, the number of ticket holders was 4940. Each borrower is entitled to have a second ticket, available for any book other than a work of fiction; 118 of these tickets were issued. The sum of £30 16s. 11d. was received from fines for detention of books beyond the fourteen days allowed.

The Reference Department contains a stock of 23,733 books, inclusive of 5048 in the Local Collection; there are also 10,507 pamphlets, 6270 being of a local character. The additions numbered 563 books and 35 pamphlets. The recorded issues amounted to 9808 divided thus:—Biography, 427; Fiction, 12; History and Travel, 714; Science, Art, and Natural History, 2222; Poetry, 169; Magazines and Miscellaneous, 2931; Theology and Law, 468; Local Collection, 2865. These figures do not include the very numerous consultations of Directories, Year-books, Dictionaries, and similar works which are on open shelves and the use of which is not recorded. Special loans, for home use, included 409 books, while 745 over-date parts of magazines were lent.

As in previous years over-date newspapers and periodicals, and worn-out books have been sent to the City Asylum, the Isolation Hospital, and the Workhouse.

The Library Committee has continued to place certain rooms on the top floor of the building at the disposal of the Distress Committee.

HENRY J. COPEMAN,  
*Chairman.*

The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1909-10; but more detailed particulars will be found on pages 8 and 9.

# LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Stock, 24,703 volumes, being in—

|                                     |       |    |       |      |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----|-------|------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History   | added | 80 | total | 3428 |
| Biography and Correspondence ...    | „     | 44 | „     | 2245 |
| Poetry and Drama ... ..             | „     | 32 | „     | 946  |
| Fiction ... ..                      | „     | 79 | „     | 7810 |
| History and Travel ... ..           | „     | 77 | „     | 3297 |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | „     | 82 | „     | 5883 |
| Law and Theology ... ..             | „     | 33 | „     | 1094 |

|               |   |     |   |       |
|---------------|---|-----|---|-------|
| Totals ... .. | „ | 427 | „ | 24703 |
|---------------|---|-----|---|-------|

|                    |   |     |   |       |
|--------------------|---|-----|---|-------|
| „ last year ... .. | „ | 490 | „ | 24276 |
|--------------------|---|-----|---|-------|

|                  |     |           |     |
|------------------|-----|-----------|-----|
| Days open ... .. | 304 | last year | 305 |
|------------------|-----|-----------|-----|

## Borrowers—

|                                                          |     |     |      |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| New Borrowers under 20 years of age                      | ... | ... | 396  |
| „ over 20 years of age                                   | ... | ... | 499  |
| „ unstated ages                                          | ... | ... | 52   |
| Total Tickets issued in 1909-10 (335 females, 612 males) | ... | ... | 947  |
| Holding Tickets, March 31st, 1910                        | ... | ... | 4940 |
| Using Tickets, March 31st, 1910                          | ... | ... | 2199 |

Issues, 93651 (94850 volumes), being in—

|                                     |       |          |      |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------|------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History   | 3290  | increase | 211  |
| Biography and Correspondence ...    | 1400  | „        | 184  |
| Poetry and Drama ... ..             | 850   | „        | 33   |
| Fiction ... ..                      | 80425 | „        | 7300 |
| History and Travel ... ..           | 2227  | decrease | 86   |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | 4972  | „        | 827  |
| Law and Theology ... ..             | 487   | „        | 41   |

|               |       |          |      |
|---------------|-------|----------|------|
| Totals ... .. | 93651 | increase | 6774 |
|---------------|-------|----------|------|

|                    |       |          |       |
|--------------------|-------|----------|-------|
| „ last year ... .. | 86877 | decrease | 27464 |
|--------------------|-------|----------|-------|

|                             |     |           |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|
| Average daily issues ... .. | 308 | last year | 285 |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|

|                                       |    |   |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|---|----|
| „ issues to ticket-holder, March 31st | 19 | „ | 21 |
|---------------------------------------|----|---|----|

|                             |    |   |    |
|-----------------------------|----|---|----|
| „ „ ticket-user, March 31st | 42 | „ | 34 |
|-----------------------------|----|---|----|

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                          |     |           |           |               |
|------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| Fines for over-due books                 | ... | £30/16/11 | last year | £33/10/6      |
| Sale of Catalogues                       | ... | £2/0/5    | „         | £4/19/10½     |
| Books replaced                           | ... | ...       | 0         | last year 108 |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders |     |           |           |               |
| (41)                                     | ... | ...       | 4625      | „ 5373        |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                                   |     |                    |
|-----------------------------------|-----|--------------------|
| Issues in all sections, including | 876 | in                 |
| Reading and News rooms            | ... | 9808 increase 2099 |

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |       |     |       |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Lending Department       | ... | added | 427 | total | 24703 |
| Reference Department     | ... | „     | 489 | „     | 18685 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | „     | 74  | „     | 5048  |
| Totals                   | ... | „     | 990 | „     | 48436 |
| „ last year              | ... | „     | 976 | „     | 47446 |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |   |    |   |       |
|--------------------------|-----|---|----|---|-------|
| Reference Department     | ... | „ | 1  | „ | 4237  |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | „ | 34 | „ | 6270  |
| Totals                   | ... | „ | 35 | „ | 10507 |
| „ last year              | ... | „ | 71 | „ | 10472 |

## PERCENTAGES—

|                                   |     |       |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|--------------------------|---|
| Stock in Lending Department       |     |       |                          |   |
| (24703 volumes)                   | ... | 19.9  | per cent. of Population. |   |
| Issues (93651)                    | ... | 75.4  | „                        | „ |
| Ticket-holders, March 31st (4940) | ... | 3.99  | „                        | „ |
| Total Stock (48436)               | ... | 39.01 | „                        | „ |

Classified Register of Issues of Books from Lending Department for 1909-10.

| Months,<br>1909-10.      | Days<br>open. | Science,<br>Art,<br>and<br>Natural<br>History. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspond-<br>ence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and Mis-<br>cellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...                | 24            | 271                                            | 128                                      | 74                      | 6036     | 192                       | 451                                               | 42                   | 7194               | 300                         |
| May ...                  | 25            | 242                                            | 142                                      | 80                      | 5624     | 193                       | 436                                               | 43                   | 6760               | 270                         |
| June ...                 | 26            | 290                                            | 117                                      | 62                      | 6065     | 166                       | 375                                               | 42                   | 7117               | 276                         |
| July ...                 | 27            | 270                                            | 108                                      | 53                      | 6368     | 156                       | 364                                               | 30                   | 7349               | 272                         |
| August ...               | 25            | 229                                            | 103                                      | 66                      | 6879     | 132                       | 372                                               | 41                   | 7822               | 315                         |
| September ...            | 26            | 248                                            | 118                                      | 78                      | 8056     | 175                       | 360                                               | 47                   | 9082               | 349                         |
| October ...              | 25            | 239                                            | 95                                       | 90                      | 7191     | 185                       | 435                                               | 49                   | 8284               | 331                         |
| November ...             | 26            | 269                                            | 127                                      | 80                      | 7529     | 194                       | 409                                               | 38                   | 8646               | 333                         |
| December ...             | 25            | 260                                            | 109                                      | 56                      | 6727     | 161                       | 469                                               | 35                   | 7817               | 313                         |
| January ...              | 26            | 297                                            | 107                                      | 77                      | 7094     | 201                       | 457                                               | 44                   | 8277               | 318                         |
| February ...             | 24            | 314                                            | 127                                      | 52                      | 6445     | 225                       | 413                                               | 41                   | 7617               | 317                         |
| March ...                | 25            | 361                                            | 119                                      | 82                      | 6411     | 247                       | 431                                               | 35                   | 7686               | 307                         |
| Totals ...               | 304           | 3290                                           | 1400                                     | 850                     | 80425    | 2227                      | 4972                                              | 487                  | 93651              | 308                         |
| Percentages, 1909-10 ... | ...           | 3.51                                           | 1.50                                     | 0.91                    | 85.88    | 2.37                      | 5.31                                              | 0.52                 | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages, 1908-9 ...  | ...           | 3.54                                           | 1.40                                     | 0.94                    | 84.17    | 2.66                      | 6.68                                              | 0.61                 | ...                | ...                         |



**Classified Register of Issues of Books from Lending Department 1878 to 1909-10.**

| Years.                       | Days open. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ...             | 1275       | 7069                               | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                  | 1675              | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ...          | 1265       | 11730                              | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                  | 1381              | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...         | 1170       | 17502                              | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                  | 2282              | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May) ...     | 982        | 12270                              | 5024                          | 2719              | 308616   | 12888               | 34229                                  | 2118              | 377844        | 385                   |
| To May 31st, 1897 ...        | 4692       | 48571                              | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                 | 7456              | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (from Sept. 13th) ... | 137        | 2005                               | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                | 3939                                   | 343               | 55139         | 402                   |
| *1898-9 ...                  | 258        | 3876                               | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                   | 666               | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ...                | 235        | 3494                               | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                   | 777               | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ...                  | 232        | 3975                               | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                   | 741               | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ...                   | 232        | 4173                               | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                   | 711               | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3 ...                   | 237        | 4315                               | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                | 6450                                   | 704               | 112112        | 473                   |
| 1903-4 ...                   | 255        | 3638                               | 1618                          | 820               | 111492   | 3293                | 6836                                   | 714               | 128411        | 504                   |
| 1904-5 ...                   | 255        | 3332                               | 1452                          | 832               | 108350   | 2564                | 8342                                   | 613               | 125485        | 492                   |
| 1905-6 ...                   | 255        | 4083                               | 1647                          | 896               | 110954   | 2847                | 9407                                   | 820               | 130654        | 512                   |
| 1906-7 ...                   | 253        | 3977                               | 1737                          | 942               | 102317   | 2973                | 9883                                   | 761               | 122590        | 485                   |
| 1907-8 ...                   | 290        | 4742                               | 1963                          | 1023              | 93692    | 3554                | 8598                                   | 769               | 114341        | 394                   |
| 1908-9 ...                   | 305        | 3079                               | 1216                          | 817               | 73125    | 2313                | 5799                                   | 528               | 86877         | 285                   |
| 1909-10 ...                  | 304        | 3290                               | 1400                          | 850               | 80425    | 2227                | 4972                                   | 487               | 93651         | 308                   |
| Totals ...                   | 7940       | 96550                              | 46630                         | 23366             | 2192346  | 95249               | 265352                                 | 16090             | 2735583       | 345                   |
| Percentages ...              | ...        | 3.53                               | 1.71                          | 0.85              | 80.14    | 3.48                | 9.70                                   | 0.59              | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26th instead of January 1st and in 1899 it closed March 31st instead of March 25th.

*Newspapers, Periodicals, Directories, and Year Books supplied to the Reading and News Rooms. Those marked \* are placed on the Stands or Tables reserved for Women; those marked † are presented.*

## DAILIES.

|                                            |                       |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Birmingham Post                            | Montreal Gazette      |
| Daily Chronicle                            | Morning Post          |
| Daily News                                 | Pall Mall Gazette     |
| East Anglian Times                         | *Standard (2 copies)  |
| *†Eastern Daily Press (3 copies, 2 given)  | Star                  |
| *†Eastern Evening News (2 copies, 1 given) | *Telegraph (2 copies) |
| Liverpool Post and Mercury                 | Times                 |
| Manchester Guardian                        | Westminster Gazette   |
|                                            | Yorkshire Post        |

## BI-WEEKLY.

|                                       |                           |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| *†Norwich Mercury (2 copies, 1 given) | Bazaar, Exchange and Mart |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|

## TRI-WEEKLY.

## WEEKLIES.

|                                     |                                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Academy                             | Electrical Review                  |
| †Alliance News                      | Electrician                        |
| Architect                           | Engineer                           |
| Army and Navy Gazette               | Engineering                        |
| Athenæum                            | †English Churchman                 |
| †Board of Trade Journal             | English Mechanic                   |
| Boot and Shoe Trades Journal        | Era                                |
| †Boston Independent                 | *Family Herald; and Supplement     |
| Boy's Own Paper                     | Feathered World                    |
| Builder                             | Field                              |
| Building News                       | Gardeners' Magazine                |
| Building World                      | *Graphic (2 copies)                |
| Cage Birds                          | Great Thoughts                     |
| Canada                              | Grocer                             |
| †Canadian Gazette                   | †Guardian                          |
| Cassell's Saturday Journal          | *Illus. London News (2 copies)     |
| †Catholic Times                     | †Illus. Official Journal (Patents) |
| †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.  | Investors' Review                  |
| Christian World (2 copies)          | †Journal of Society of Arts        |
| Church Times                        | †Justice                           |
| †Civil Service Aspirant             | Labour Leader                      |
| †Civil Service Candidate            | Labour News                        |
| †Civil Service Competitor           | *Lady's Pictorial                  |
| †Civil Service Gazette              | †Local Government Chronicle        |
| Clarion                             | †Local Government Journal          |
| *†Co-operative News (2 copies)      | L. G. O.                           |
| County Gentleman and Land and Water | †Lowestoft Journal                 |
| *†Cromer and North Walsham Post     | *†Lowestoft Standard               |
| Draper's Record                     | Lynn Advertiser                    |
| †Eastern Counties' Times            | *Lynn News                         |
| *†Eastern Weekly Press              | M. A. P.                           |
|                                     | Mechanical World                   |

†Midland Counties\* Herald  
 Motor Traction  
 Municipal Journal  
 Nation  
 Nature  
 Newcastle Chronicle  
 \*†Norfolk Chronicle (2 copies, 1 given)  
 \*†Norfolk News (2 copies, 1 given)  
 \*†Norfolk Weekly Standard and Argus (2 copies, 1 given)  
 Notes and Queries  
 Outlook  
 \*†People's Weekly Journal  
 Pitman's Journal  
 †Poor Law Officers' Journal  
 †Practical Engineer  
 †Present Truth  
 Public Opinion  
 Punch (2 copies)  
 \*Queen  
 Saturday Review  
 †School Government Chronicle  
 School Guardian  
 Schoolmaster

\*Schoolmistress  
 Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List  
 †Shop Assistant  
 Spare Moments  
 Spectator  
 Sphere  
 Standard of Empire  
 Superintendent and Foreman  
 T. P.'s Weekly  
 †Tablet  
 †Tailor and Cutter  
 Timber Trades Journal  
 Tit Bits  
 †Trade Marks' Journal  
 Truth  
 †University Correspondent  
 Volunteer Service Gazette  
 \*†Woman's Franchise  
 Woodworker  
 †Worcester Herald  
 Work  
 \*†Yarmouth Independent (2 copies, 1 given)  
 \*Young Ladies' Journal

## MONTHLIES.

Army List  
 Art Journal  
 Atlantic Monthly  
 Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine  
 †British Esparantist  
 C. B. Fry's Magazine  
 †Canadian Life  
 Canadian Magazine  
 †Canadian Patent Office Record  
 Cassell's Fam. Mag. (2 copies)  
 Cassier's Magazine  
 Century Illustrated  
 Chambers' Journal (2 copies)  
 Church Missionary Gleaner  
 Church Missionary Review  
 \*†Church of England Gazette  
 Clerk, The  
 †Commonwealth  
 †Concord  
 Connoisseur; and Supp., Sale Prices  
 Contemporary Review  
 Cornhill Magazine  
 †Correspondent  
 †Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Jnl.  
 †Depositor  
 Empire Review  
 English Illustrated Magazine  
 †Fire and Water  
 Footwear  
 †Forrester's Miscellany

Fortnightly Review  
 †Geographical Journal  
 Girls' Own Paper  
 \*†Goodwill  
 Harper's Magazine  
 †Herald of Peace and Olive Leaf  
 \*Herald of the Cross  
 Idler  
 †Individualist  
 †Insurance Agent and Review  
 Jewish Missionary Intelligence  
 Journal of Board of Agriculture  
 †Labour Gazette  
 \*London Missionary Soc. Chron.  
 Magazine of Commerce  
 \*†Mercy and Truth  
 †Messenger  
 †Millgate Monthly  
 Missionary Review of World  
 †Monthly Notes on Tariff Reform  
 \*†Musical Herald  
 Musical Times  
 National Defence  
 National Review  
 †National Service Journal  
 †New Church Magazine  
 †New Zealand Farmer  
 Nineteenth Century  
 Outing  
 †Patents

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| †Phillip's Machine Register   | †Social Democrat <sup>*</sup>    |
| †Plumber and Decorator        | †Socialist Review                |
| †Popular Science Monthly      | †State Correspondent             |
| †Positivist                   | †Strand Magazine                 |
| *†Primrose League Gazette     | †Sunday at Home                  |
| †Progress (N.Y.M.C.A.)        | *†Sunday League Advocate         |
| †Quiver                       | †Symon's Meteorological Magazine |
| †Railway Clerk                | †Tourist's Guide                 |
| †Rechabite and Temp. Magazine | †Vegetarian Messenger            |
| *Regions Beyond               | †Vulcan                          |
| †Review of Reviews            | †Warrant Officer's Naval Journal |
| †Scribner's Magazine          | †Westminster Review              |
| †Selborne Magazine            | †Zoologist                       |
| †Shoe Manufacturers' Monthly  | †Zoophilist                      |

#### QUARTERLIES.

- |                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| †Bird Notes and News   | Navy List            |
| †British Shoemaker     | New Quarterly        |
| †Edinburgh Review      | †Post Office Guide   |
| †Englishwoman's Review | †Progress            |
| †Free Russia           | †Quarterly Review    |
| †Hibbert Journal       | †Science Progress    |
| †Ibis (Ornithological) | †Sociological Review |

#### YEAR-BOOKS.

- |                                            |                                      |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| †Australian Year-Book                      | †Insurance Register                  |
| †Baptist Handbook                          | †Investors' Shilling Year-Book       |
| †British Almanac                           | †Jewish Year-Book                    |
| †Burdett's Hospitals and Charities         | †Medical Register                    |
| †Catholic Directory, with Ordo.            | †Municipal Year-Book                 |
| †Church of England Year-Book               | †National Union of Teachers' Report  |
| †Congregational Year-Book                  | †Paton's List of Schools             |
| †Co-operative Wholesale Society's Annual   | †Poor Law Annual                     |
| †County Council's, &c., Companion          | †"Queen" Book of Travel              |
| †Crockford's Clerical Directory            | †Reformer's Year-Book                |
| †Daily Mail Year-Book                      | †Schoolmasters' Year-Book            |
| †Englishwoman's Year-Book                  | †Science Year-Book                   |
| †Foresters' Directory                      | †Statesman's Year-Book               |
| †Free Church Year-Book                     | †Tonic Sol-Fa College Calendar       |
| †Fruit Growers' Year-Book                  | †Whitaker's Almanac                  |
| †Gardening Year-Book                       | †Whitaker's Peerage, Baronetage, &c. |
| †Hazzell's Annual                          | †Who's Who                           |
| †Incorporated Soc. of Musicians' Year-Book | †Writers' and Artists' Year-Book     |
|                                            | †Year's Art                          |

#### UNIVERSITY CALENDARS.

- |             |                                    |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| †Birmingham | London                             |
| †Cambridge  | †Oxford                            |
| †Durham     | †Sheffield                         |
| †Leeds      | †University Correspondence College |
| †Liverpool  |                                    |

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

|                                 |                                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Bradshaw and Continental        | †Lancashire and Yorkshire          |
| †Caledonian                     | †London and North Western          |
| Cassell's A.B.C.                | †London and South Western          |
| †Glasgow and South Western      | †London, Brighton, and South Coast |
| †Great Central                  | †Midland                           |
| †Great Eastern; and Continental | †North British                     |
| †Great Northern                 | †North Eastern                     |
| †Great Western                  | †Norwich—Fletcher's; Jarrold's     |
| †Highland                       | †South-Eastern and Chatham         |

## DIRECTORIES.

|                                      |                                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| †Advertiser's A B C (Browne's)       | Liverpool and suburbs              |
| Beds., Hunts., and Northants.        | London, and London County          |
| Berks., Bucks., and Oxon.            | †Macdonald's English Directory and |
| Birmingham, Staffordshire, War-      | Gazetteer                          |
| wickshire, and Worcestershire        | Manchester and Salford             |
| Cambs., and Suffolk                  | Merchants, Manufacturers, and      |
| Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland, | Shippers                           |
| and Notts                            | †Newspaper Press (Mitchell's)      |
| Devon and Cornwall                   | Norfolk                            |
| Durham and Northumberland            | Norwich (Jarrold's)                |
| Essex, Herts., and Middlesex         | Somerset and Gloucestershire       |
| Hants., Wilts., and Dorset           | Stubbs' Directory                  |
| Kent, Surrey, and Sussex             | Yorks. (North and East, and West   |
| Lincolnshire, with Hull              | Ridings)                           |

# REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

## Expenditure.

|                                              | £   | s. | d. | £     | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-------|----|----|
| To Salaries—L. R. Haggerston                 | 150 | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| J. G. Tennant                                | 100 | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Assistants                                   | 390 | 1  | 4  |       |    |    |
| Typist                                       | 58  | 10 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Charwoman                                    | 27  | 6  | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                              |     |    |    | 725   | 17 | 4  |
| Loans—Interest                               | 38  | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Sinking Fund                                 | 52  | 13 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Income Tax                                   | 2   | 0  | 4  |       |    |    |
|                                              |     |    |    | 92    | 13 | 4  |
| Insurance                                    | 18  | 5  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Rates                                        | 61  | 19 | 7  |       |    |    |
| Books Purchased                              | 87  | 0  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Binding Books                                | 7   | 14 | 10 |       |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals                   | 103 | 8  | 3  |       |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery                      | 15  | 11 | 3  |       |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows                             | 14  | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| General Repairs—Repairs to Fittings and      |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Cleaning                                     | 73  | 0  | 3  |       |    |    |
| Electric Fittings and Repairs                | 1   | 14 | 11 |       |    |    |
| Electric Light                               | 70  | 15 | 5  |       |    |    |
| Gas and Water                                | 4   | 8  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Steam for Heating                            | 29  | 3  | 7  |       |    |    |
| Attendance of Mr. Haggerston at Annual       |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Meeting of Library Association at Sheffield  | 4   | 8  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Winding and Regulating Clocks                | 1   | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
| Librarian's Disbursements                    | 9   | 15 | 8  |       |    |    |
| Building Sub-way and Fittings for Heating    |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Library by steam from Electricity Works      |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| —Balance                                     | 2   | 7  | 7  |       |    |    |
|                                              |     |    |    | 505   | 4  | 2  |
| Balance being excess Income over Expenditure |     |    |    | 427   | 5  | 4  |
|                                              |     |    |    | £1751 | 0  | 2  |

## Fines Account for the Year

|                                                             | £   | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|
| To Books purchased in further extension of Local Collection | 3   | 18 | 6  |
| Balance, being excess Income over Expenditure               | 26  | 18 | 5  |
|                                                             | £30 | 16 | 11 |

## Liabilities.

| Liabilities. |                                                 |     |     | BALANCE |     | SHEET— |    |      |    |    |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|---------|-----|--------|----|------|----|----|
|              |                                                 |     |     | £       | s.  | d.     | £  | s.   | d. |    |
| To           | Sundry Creditors                                | ... | ... | ...     |     |        | 61 | 4    | 4  |    |
|              | Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1909               |     | ... | ...     | 7   | 11     | 1  |      |    |    |
|              | Ditto for the Current year                      |     | ... | ...     | 427 | 5      | 4  |      |    |    |
|              |                                                 |     |     |         |     |        |    | 434  | 16 | 5  |
|              | Fines Account Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1909 |     | ... | ...     | 238 | 13     | 9  |      |    |    |
|              | Ditto for the current year                      |     | ... | ...     | 26  | 18     | 5  |      |    |    |
|              |                                                 |     |     |         |     |        |    | 265  | 12 | 2  |
|              |                                                 |     |     |         |     |        |    | £761 | 12 | 11 |



ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1910.

**Income.**

|                                                                                                    | £     | s. | d. | £ | s.   | d.   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|---|------|------|
| By Sale of Catalogues ... ..                                                                       | 2     | 0  | 5  |   |      |      |
| Borrowers' Tickets ... ..                                                                          | 5     | 9  | 7  |   |      |      |
| Papers ... ..                                                                                      |       | 11 | 2  |   |      |      |
| Post Cards, &c. ... ..                                                                             | 2     | 4  | 0  |   |      |      |
|                                                                                                    | <hr/> |    |    |   | 10   | 5 2  |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1909 ... ..                                       | 434   | 10 | 0  |   |      |      |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{3}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1909 ... .. | 869   | 0  | 0  |   |      |      |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1910 ... ..                                    | 437   | 5  | 0  |   |      |      |
|                                                                                                    | <hr/> |    |    |   | 1740 | 15 0 |

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£1751 0 2
*ended 31st March, 1910.*

|                 | £  | s. | d. |
|-----------------|----|----|----|
| By Fines ... .. | 30 | 16 | 11 |

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£30 16 11
**REVENUE ACCOUNT.****Assets.**

|                               | £     | s. | d. | £  | s.  | d.   |
|-------------------------------|-------|----|----|----|-----|------|
| By Sundry Debtors... ..       |       |    |    | 14 | 13  | 6    |
| Cash in hand—Treasurer ... .. | 736   | 19 | 5  |    |     |      |
| Librarian ... ..              | 10    | 0  | 0  |    |     |      |
|                               | <hr/> |    |    |    | 746 | 19 5 |

ARTHUR F. GENTRY,  
City Accountant.

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£761 12 11

*List of Donors, 1909-10.*

To one or other of the Departments, Books, &c., have been presented by the Agents-General for Australia, New South Wales, New Zealand, and Victoria; British and Foreign Unitarian Association, British Association for the Advancement of Science, Mr. E. A. W. Budge, Mr. G. F. Buxton, Canadian Government Office, London, Mr. E. W. Carlier, Mr. A. Carnegie, Mr. W. G. Clarke, Committee of Castle Museum, Co-operative Wholesale Society, Messrs. Crane, Crane & Co., Mr. A. D. Euren, Mr. H. F. Euren, Messrs. Foster, Calvert, & Marriott, Mr. J. H. Gurney, Mr. W. Hall, Mr. J. H. Hillen, Homeland Association, Mr. J. H. Hutchinson, Labour Department Board of Trade, Sir E. Durning-Lawrence, Library of Congress United States, Mr. J. L. Mare, Mr. Miller, Mr. F. Minto, National Union of Teachers, Horatio Earl Nelson, Messrs. J. & J. Paton, Messrs. W. Perry & Co., The Peace Society, Registrars of Leeds, Liverpool, and Sheffield Universities, Royal Colonial Institute, Mr. W. Rye, Secretary of Birmingham University, Secretary of State for India, Mr. W. Stigaud, Stringer Printing Company, Stubb's Publishing Company, Mr. A. Taylor, Theosophical Society, Town Clerk of the City of London, Trustees of the British Museum, and University Tutorial Press.

In addition the periodicals marked † on pages 10 to 13 have been presented, and Annual Reports have been received from other Public Libraries.

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

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*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

*(free from Legacy Duty), for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, to be expended in such way as the Committee for the time being may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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*I bequeath\**

*\*Books, Pictures, or  
other objects of Art  
or Interest.*

*to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, for the benefit of the Norwich Free Library, either for exhibition or for such other purposes as the Committee for the time being deem expedient; and I direct any Legacy Duty which may be payable thereon to be paid by my Executors out of my personal Estate: and I further direct that the Receipt of the said Treasurer shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.*

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Offers of Books, Pamphlets, etc., will be gladly received by the Librarian and placed before the Committee.





# CITY OF NORWICH.

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## *THE REPORT*

OF THE

## FREE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

TO THE

## TOWN COUNCIL.

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**1910-11.**

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(See Council Agenda, 18th July, 1911).

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MILLER,  
TOWN CLERK.

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NORWICH:

Gibbs & Waller, Ltd., Lithographers, Printers, and Bookbinders, Colegate Street.



## NORWICH FREE LIBRARY.

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Area of the City—7,906 Acres.

Population of the City, 1911 Census—121,493.

Rateable Value of the City, 1911—£464,844.

Amount estimated to be produced by the Rate of 1d. in the £,  
1911—£1730.

Public Libraries Act Adopted—1850.

Library Opened—March, 1857.

Extension of Hours Library to be Open—April, 1907.

Library Lighted by Electricity—February, 1889.

Juvenile Department (Books sent to and issued at Day Schools)—  
Commenced September, 1889; Ceased July, 1896.

Reading Rooms Opened on Sundays—February, 1890.

Opening of Reading Room on ground floor—April, 1907.

Books issued by Indicator System—13th September, 1897.

Room for Reference Department Opened—September, 1897.

Minimum Age for Borrowers altered from 14 to 13—July, 1899.

Library Stock—December, 1877, 3,500 Books.

“ “ March, 1910, 49,215 Books (and 10,675 Pamphlets).

“ “ per cent. of Population—December, 1877, 4.35.

“ “ “ “ March, 1910, 39.01.

Issues for Home Reading; December, 1877, 1,100.

“ “ December, 1910, 6,362.

“ “ Total since 1877, 2,811,255.

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### HOURS OF OPENING.

|                      |   |                       |
|----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| LENDING DEPARTMENT   | } | 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on |
| REFERENCE DEPARTMENT |   | Week-days.            |

READING-ROOM—10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Week-days; 3 p.m. to  
9 p.m. on Sundays.

NEWS-ROOM—9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Week-days.

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The whole of the Library building is closed on Christmas Day and Good-Friday; while on other Bank Holidays the Reading-Room only is open.



# COMMITTEE.

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THE LORD MAYOR—EUSTACE GURNEY

*Chairman*—COUN. HENRY J. COPEMAN

*Vice-Chairman*—ALD. R. G. BAGSHAW

COUN. A. W. F. BAGGE

COUN. G. CUBITT

COUN. F. H. BASSING-

COUN. J. F. HENDERSON

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MR. H. F. EUREN

MR. WALTER RYE

MR. BOSWORTH HARCOURT

MR. A. M. STEVENS

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*Town Clerk*—ARNOLD H. MILLER

*City Engineer*—A. E. COLLINS

*City Treasurer*—H. G. BARCLAY

*City Accountant*—A. F. GENTRY

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*Librarian*—(Office vacant).

*Superintendent of Reading Room*—J. G. TENNANT

*Senior Assistants*—J. FINCH, R. LLOYD and G. LONG

*Junior Assistants*—F. PARKER and R. RESTIEAUX

*Typist*—Miss L. M. SHORTEN

*Attendants*—M. KELTY and W. KIRK

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Committee Meetings at the Library, on the fourth Wednesday  
in each month.

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# REPORT, 1910-11.



The Free Library Committee has pleasure in submitting its report for the year ended 31st March, 1911.

Little out of the ordinary has occurred to vary the regularity of the working of the Library, which continues to be largely used ; from the tables annexed it will be seen, however, that the number of books issued from the Lending Department has decreased very considerably. This decrease is probably due in large part to the want of an up-to-date Catalogue.

A list of those who have made gifts of books, pamphlets, &c., to the Library during the year is appended, together with a list of purchases made by the Committee, amongst which may be noted the Library Edition of the Life, Letters, and Works of John Ruskin, in 38 Vols., edited, with additions, from the original manuscripts by E. T. Cook and Alexander Wedderburn.

The thanks of the Committee are due to Mr. F. W. Haldinstein for arranging their collection of Rubbings from Brasses in Norfolk Churches.

The Committee has divided itself on the Rota system, in order to ensure a weekly inspection of the Library.

The Committee subscribes to, and regularly receives the publications of the following Societies :—British Record Society, Cambridge Antiquarian Society, Early English Text Society, Egypt Exploration Fund, Library Association, National Home Reading Union, Palæontographical Society, Ray Society, Pipe Roll Society and Viking Club.

The "Circulars" and other publications of the Emigrants' Information Office are received regularly ; while the Agents-General for the various Colonies are constantly forwarding guides and hand-books which are of value to those who may be contemplating emigration.

The Lending Department was open on 308 days, while the issues numbered 75,672; a daily average of 246. Compared with the previous year, the issues have decreased by 17,979. On March 31st, 1911, the number of ticket holders was 5665. Each borrower is entitled to have a second ticket, available for any book other than a work of fiction: 144 of these tickets were issued. The sum of £27 15s. 10d. was received from fines for detention of books beyond the fourteen days allowed.

The Reference Department contains a stock of 24,165 books, inclusive of 5129 in the Local Collection; there are also 10,675 pamphlets, 6362 being of a local character. The additions numbered 432 books and 168 pamphlets. The recorded issues amounted to 9922 divided thus:—Biography, 339; Fiction, 16; History and Travel, 592; Science, Art, and Natural History, 2177; Poetry, 443; Magazines and Miscellaneous, 3341; Theology and Law, 426; Local Collection, 2588. These figures do not include the very numerous consultations of Directories, Year-books, Dictionaries, and similar works which are on open shelves and the use of which is not recorded. Special loans, for home use, included 463 books, while 815 over-date parts of magazines were lent.

As has been the practice in previous years, old newspapers and periodicals and worn-out books have been sent to the City Asylum, Isolation Hospital, and the Workhouse for the use of the inmates.

The Chief Librarian, Mr. L. R. Haggerston, resigned his position on the 1st March, and at the end of the year his successor had not been appointed, Mr. Finch having been temporarily appointed as acting Librarian. Otherwise no changes in the personnel of the staff, which continues to give satisfaction, have taken place.

HENRY J. COPEMAN,

*Chairman.*

The following statistics show the working of the Library in 1910-11; but more detailed particulars will be found on pages 7 and 8.

#### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Stock, 25,050 volumes, being in—

|                                     |       |     |           |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----|-----------|-------|
| Science, Art, and Natural History   | added | 53  | total     | 3481  |
| Biography and Correspondence ...    | „     | 17  | „         | 2262  |
| Poetry and Drama ... ..             | „     | 36  | „         | 982   |
| Fiction ... ..                      | „     | 123 | „         | 7933  |
| History and Travel ... ..           | „     | 56  | „         | 3353  |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | „     | 48  | „         | 5931  |
| Law and Theology ... ..             | „     | 14  | „         | 1108  |
| Totals ... ..                       | „     | 347 | „         | 25050 |
| „ last year ... ..                  | „     | 427 | „         | 24703 |
| Days open ... ..                    |       | 308 | last year | 304   |

#### Borrowers—

|                                                          |     |     |      |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| New Borrowers under 20 years of age                      | ... | ... | 305  |
| „ over 20 years of age                                   | ... | ... | 420  |
| „ unstated ages                                          | ... | ... | 55   |
| Total Tickets issued in 1910-11 (278 females, 502 males) | ... | ... | 780  |
| Holding Tickets, March 31st, 1911                        | ... | ... | 5665 |
| Using Tickets, March 31st, 1911                          | ... | ... | 1996 |

Issues, 75,672 (76,687 volumes), being in—

|                                     |       |          |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Science, Art and Natural History    | 3320  | increase | 30    |
| Biography and Correspondence ...    | 1335  | decrease | 65    |
| Poetry and Drama ... ..             | 791   | „        | 59    |
| Fiction ... ..                      | 63384 | „        | 17041 |
| History and Travel ... ..           | 2418  | increase | 191   |
| Magazines, Reviews, & Miscellaneous | 3838  | decrease | 1134  |
| Law and Theology ... ..             | 586   | increase | 99    |
| Totals ... ..                       | 75672 | decrease | 17979 |
| „ last year ... ..                  | 93651 | increase | 6774  |

|                                       |     |     |           |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------|-----|
| Average daily issues                  | ... | 246 | last year | 308 |
| „ issues to ticket-holder, March 31st | 13  | „   | 19        |     |
| „ „ ticket-user, March 31st           | 38  | „   | 42        |     |

LENDING DEPARTMENT (*continued*)—

|                                          |     |           |             |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Fines for over-due books                 | ... | £27/15/10 | last year   | £30/16/11 |
| Sale of Catalogues                       | ... | 16/4      | "           | £2/0/5    |
| Books replaced                           | ... |           | 0 last year | 0         |
| Books repaired at Library and by Binders |     |           |             |           |
| (471)                                    | ... | ...       | 5792        | „ 4625    |

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT—

|                                   |         |      |              |
|-----------------------------------|---------|------|--------------|
| Issues in all sections, including | 1153 in |      |              |
| Reading and News rooms            | ...     | 9922 | increase 114 |

## PRESENT STOCK—

## Books—

|                          |     |       |     |       |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Lending Department       | ... | added | 347 | total | 25050 |
| Reference Department     | ... | "     | 351 | "     | 19036 |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | "     | 81  | "     | 5129  |
| Totals                   | ... | "     | 779 | "     | 49215 |
| „ last year              | ... | "     | 990 | "     | 48436 |

## Pamphlets—

|                          |     |   |     |   |       |
|--------------------------|-----|---|-----|---|-------|
| Reference Department     | ... | " | 76  | " | 4313  |
| Ditto (Local Collection) | ... | " | 92  | " | 6362  |
| Totals                   | ... | " | 168 | " | 10675 |
| „ last year              | ... | " | 35  | " | 10507 |



Classified Register of Issues of Books from Lending Department for 1910-11.

| Months,<br>1910-11.      | Days<br>open. | Science,<br>Art,<br>and<br>Natural<br>History. | Biography<br>and<br>Correspond-<br>ence. | Poetry<br>and<br>Drama. | Fiction. | History<br>and<br>Travel. | Magazines,<br>Reviews,<br>and Mis-<br>cellaneous. | Law and<br>Theology. | Monthly<br>Issues. | Average<br>Daily<br>Issues. |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| April ...                | 26            | 300                                            | 146                                      | 75                      | 6250     | 234                       | 351                                               | 31                   | 7387               | 284                         |
| May ...                  | 24            | 262                                            | 97                                       | 69                      | 5335     | 156                       | 289                                               | 41                   | 6249               | 260                         |
| June ...                 | 26            | 237                                            | 87                                       | 60                      | 4822     | 143                       | 306                                               | 40                   | 5695               | 219                         |
| July ...                 | 26            | 235                                            | 93                                       | 45                      | 4555     | 154                       | 291                                               | 45                   | 5418               | 208                         |
| August ...               | 26            | 256                                            | 102                                      | 58                      | 4378     | 159                       | 295                                               | 52                   | 5300               | 204                         |
| September                | 26            | 252                                            | 100                                      | 80                      | 5159     | 208                       | 301                                               | 59                   | 6159               | 237                         |
| October ...              | 26            | 293                                            | 123                                      | 67                      | 5492     | 226                       | 331                                               | 59                   | 6591               | 253                         |
| November ...             | 26            | 294                                            | 128                                      | 51                      | 5528     | 249                       | 317                                               | 59                   | 6626               | 254                         |
| December ...             | 25            | 258                                            | 110                                      | 48                      | 5418     | 195                       | 294                                               | 39                   | 6362               | 255                         |
| January ...              | 26            | 336                                            | 112                                      | 66                      | 5872     | 249                       | 353                                               | 57                   | 7045               | 271                         |
| February ...             | 24            | 289                                            | 102                                      | 107                     | 5258     | 221                       | 330                                               | 59                   | 6366               | 265                         |
| March ...                | 27            | 308                                            | 135                                      | 65                      | 5317     | 224                       | 380                                               | 45                   | 6474               | 240                         |
| Totals ...               | 308           | 3320                                           | 1335                                     | 791                     | 63384    | 2418                      | 3838                                              | 586                  | 75672              | 246                         |
| Percentages, 1910-11 ... | ...           | 4.39                                           | 1.76                                     | 1.04                    | 83.76    | 3.20                      | 5.07                                              | 0.78                 | ...                | ...                         |
| Percentages, 1909-10 ... | ...           | 3.51                                           | 1.50                                     | 0.91                    | 85.88    | 2.37                      | 5.31                                              | 0.52                 | ...                | ...                         |

Classified Register of Issues of Books from Lending Department 1878 to 1910-11.

| Years.                   | Days open. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|--------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1878 to 1882 ...         | 1275       | 7069                               | 7007                          | 2406              | 97717    | 11998               | 24400                                  | 1675              | 152272        | 119                   |
| 1883 to *1887-8 ...      | 1265       | 11730                              | 7589                          | 3065              | 248945   | 15603               | 56679                                  | 1381              | 344992        | 273                   |
| 1888-9 to 1892-3 ...     | 1170       | 17502                              | 7391                          | 4202              | 340080   | 17252               | 56596                                  | 2282              | 445305        | 381                   |
| 1893-4 to 1897 (May) ... | 982        | 12270                              | 5024                          | 2719              | 308616   | 12868               | 34229                                  | 2118              | 377844        | 385                   |
| To May 31st, 1897 ...    | 4692       | 48571                              | 27011                         | 12392             | 995358   | 57721               | 171904                                 | 7456              | 1320413       | 281                   |
| 1897-8 (from Sept. 13th) | 137        | 2005                               | 796                           | 403               | 46125    | 1528                | 3939                                   | 343               | 55139         | 402                   |
| *1898-9 ...              | 258        | 3876                               | 1459                          | 787               | 92637    | 2946                | 7725                                   | 666               | 110096        | 427                   |
| 1899-1900 ...            | 235        | 3494                               | 1466                          | 848               | 90345    | 3113                | 7250                                   | 777               | 107293        | 457                   |
| 1900-01 ...              | 232        | 3975                               | 1597                          | 934               | 97446    | 3154                | 7126                                   | 741               | 114973        | 496                   |
| 1901-2 ...               | 232        | 4173                               | 1703                          | 951               | 95295    | 3594                | 7121                                   | 711               | 113548        | 489                   |
| 1902-3 ...               | 237        | 4315                               | 1565                          | 871               | 94785    | 3422                | 6450                                   | 704               | 112112        | 473                   |
| 1903-4 ...               | 255        | 3638                               | 1618                          | 820               | 111492   | 3293                | 6836                                   | 714               | 128411        | 504                   |
| 1904-5 ...               | 255        | 3332                               | 1452                          | 832               | 108350   | 2564                | 8342                                   | 613               | 125485        | 492                   |
| 1905-6 ...               | 255        | 4083                               | 1647                          | 896               | 110954   | 2847                | 9407                                   | 820               | 130654        | 512                   |
| 1906-7 ...               | 253        | 3977                               | 1737                          | 942               | 102317   | 2973                | 9883                                   | 761               | 122590        | 485                   |
| 1907-8 ...               | 290        | 4742                               | 1963                          | 1023              | 93692    | 3554                | 8598                                   | 769               | 114341        | 394                   |
| 1908-9 ...               | 305        | 3079                               | 1216                          | 817               | 73125    | 2313                | 5799                                   | 528               | 86877         | 285                   |
| 1909-10 ...              | 304        | 3290                               | 1400                          | 850               | 80425    | 2227                | 4972                                   | 487               | 93651         | 308                   |
| 1910-11 ...              | 308        | 3320                               | 1335                          | 791               | 63384    | 2418                | 3838                                   | 586               | 75672         | 246                   |
| Totals ...               | 8248       | 99870                              | 47965                         | 24157             | 2255730  | 97667               | 269190                                 | 16676             | 2811255       | 341                   |
| Percentages ...          | ...        | 3.55                               | 1.70                          | 0.86              | 80.23    | 3.48                | 9.58                                   | 0.60              | ...           | ...                   |

\* In 1887 the Library year commenced March 26th instead of January 1st, and in 1899 it closed March 31st instead of March 25th.

*Newspapers, Periodicals, Directories, and Year Books supplied to the Reading and News Rooms. Those marked \* are placed on the Stands or Tables reserved for Women; those marked † are presented.*

## DAILIES.

|                                            |                       |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Birmingham Post                            | Montreal Gazette      |
| Daily Chronicle (2 copies)                 | Morning Post          |
| Daily News                                 | Pall Mall Gazette     |
| East Anglian Times                         | *Standard (2 copies)  |
| *†Eastern Daily Press (3 copies, 2 given)  | Star                  |
| *†Eastern Evening News (2 copies, 1 given) | *Telegraph (2 copies) |
| Liverpool Post and Mercury                 | Times                 |
| Manchester Guardian                        | Westminster Gazette   |
|                                            | Yorkshire Post        |

## BI-WEEKLY.

## TRI-WEEKLY.

\*†Norwich Mercury (2 copies, 1 given) | Bazaar, Exchange, and Mart

## WEEKLIES.

|                                     |                                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Academy                             | *†Eastern Weekly Press             |
| †Alliance News                      | Electrical Review                  |
| Architect                           | Electrician                        |
| Army and Navy Gazette               | Engineer                           |
| Athenæum                            | Engineering                        |
| †Board of Trade Journal             | †English Churchman                 |
| Boot & Shoe Trades Journal          | English Mechanic                   |
| †Boston Independent                 | Era                                |
| Boy's Own Paper                     | *Family Herald; and Supplement     |
| Builder                             | Feathered World                    |
| Building News                       | Field                              |
| Building World                      | Gardeners' Magazine                |
| Cage Birds                          | *Graphic (2 copies)                |
| Canada                              | Great Thoughts                     |
| Canadian Century                    | Grocer                             |
| †Canadian Gazette                   | †Guardian                          |
| Cassell's Saturday Journal          | *Illus. London News (2 copies)     |
| †Christian Life and Unitarian Her.  | †Illus. Official Journal (Patents) |
| Christian World (2 copies)          | Investors' Review                  |
| Church Times                        | †Journal of Society of Arts        |
| †Civil Service Aspirant             | †Justice                           |
| †Civil Service Candidate            | Labour Leader                      |
| †Civil Service Competitor           | Labour News                        |
| †Civil Service Gazette              | *Lady's Pictorial                  |
| Clarion                             | †Local Government Journal          |
| †Commentator                        | L.G.O.                             |
| *†Co-operative News (2 copies)      | †Lowestoft Journal                 |
| County Gentleman and Land and Water | *†Lowestoft Standard               |
| *†Cromer and North Walsham Post     | Lynn Advertiser                    |
| Draper's Record                     | *Lynn News                         |
| †Eastern Counties' Times            | M.A.P.                             |
|                                     | Mechanical World                   |

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| †Midland Counties' Herald<br>Motor Traction<br>Municipal Journal<br>Nation<br>Nature<br>Newcastle Chronicle<br>*†Norfolk Chronicle (2 copies, 1 given)<br>*†Norfolk News (2 copies, 1 given)<br>*†Norfolk Weekly Standard and Argus<br>(2 copies, 1 given)<br>Notes and Queries<br>Outlook<br>*†People's Weekly Journal<br>Pitman's Journal<br>†Poor Law Officers' Journal<br>†Practical Engineer<br>†Present Truth<br>Public Opinion<br>Punch (2 copies)<br>*Queen<br>Saturday Review<br>†School Government Chronicle<br>School Guardian<br>Schoolmaster | *Schoolmistress<br>Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List<br>†Shop Assistant<br>Spare Moments<br>Spectator<br>Sphere<br>Standard of Empire<br>Statist Superintendent and Foreman<br>T.P.'s Weekly<br>†Tablet<br>†Tailor and Cutter<br>Timber Trades Journal<br>Tit Bits<br>†Trade Marks' Journal<br>Truth<br>†University Correspondent<br>Volunteer Service Gazette<br>*†Woman's Franchise<br>Woodworker<br>†Worcester Herald<br>Work<br>*†Yarmouth Independent<br>*Young Ladies' Journal |
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## MONTHLIES.

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| †Acetylene<br>†Agricultural Economist<br>Army List<br>Art Journal<br>Atlantic Monthly<br>Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine<br>†British Esperantist<br>C. B. Fry's Magazine<br>†Canadian Life<br>Canadian Magazine<br>†Canadian Patent Office Record<br>Cassell's Fam Mag. (2 copies)<br>Cassier's Magazine<br>Century Illustrated<br>Chambers' Journal (2 copies)<br>Church Missionary Gleaner<br>Church Missionary Review<br>*†Church of England Gazette<br>Clerk, The<br>†Commonwealth<br>†Concord<br>Connoisseur ; and Supp., Sale Prices<br>Contemporary Review<br>Cornhill Magazine<br>†Correspondent<br>†Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Jnl.<br>†Depositor<br>†Domestic Engineering<br>Empire Review<br>English Illustrated Magazine<br>†Fire and Water | Footwear<br>†Forrester's Miscellany<br>Fortnightly Review<br>†Geographical Journal<br>Girls' Own Paper<br>*†Goodwill<br>Harper's Magazine<br>†Herald of Peace and Olive Leaf<br>*Herald of the Cross<br>Idler<br>†Individualist<br>†Insurance Agent and Review<br>†J. C. S. Student<br>Jewish Missionary Intelligence<br>Journal of Board of Agriculture<br>†Journal of Society of Architects<br>†Labour Gazette<br>*London Missionary Society Chron.<br>Magazine of Commerce<br>*†Mercy and Truth<br>†Messenger<br>†Millgate Monthly<br>Missionary Review of World<br>†Monthly Notes on Tariff Reform<br>†Monthly Report of Society of<br>Musicians<br>*†Musical Herald<br>Musical Times<br>National Defence<br>†National Home Reading Union<br>Magazine (3) |
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National Review  
 †National Service Journal  
 †New Church Magazine  
 †New Zealand Farmer  
 Nineteenth Century  
 Outing  
 †Patents  
 †Philip's Machine Register  
 †Plumber and Decorator  
 Popular Science Monthly  
 †Positivist  
 \*†Primrose League Gazette  
 †Progress (N.Y.M.C.A.)  
 Quiver  
 †Railway Clerk  
 Rechabite and Temp. Magazine  
 \*Regions Beyond  
 Review of Reviews

Scribner's Magazine  
 †Selborne Magazine  
 Shoe Manufacturers' Monthly  
 †Social Democrat  
 Socialist Review  
 †State Correspondent  
 Strand Magazine  
 Sunday at Home  
 \*†Sunday League Advocate  
 Symon's Meteorological Magazine  
 †Tourist's Guide  
 †Vegetarian Messenger  
 †Vulcan  
 †Warrant Officer's Naval Journal  
 Westminster Review  
 Zoologist  
 †Zoophilist

#### QUARTERLIES.

Anti-Slavery Reporter  
 \*Bird Notes and News  
 British Shoemaker  
 Edinburgh Review  
 Englishwoman's Review  
 †Free Russia  
 Hibbert Journal  
 †Ibis (Ornithological)

Navy List  
 New Quarterly  
 Post Office Guide  
 †Progress  
 Quarterly Review  
 Science Progress  
 Sociological Review

#### YEAR-BOOKS.

†Australian Year-Book  
 Baptist Handbook  
 British Almanac  
 Burdett's Hospitals and Charities  
 Catholic Directory with Ordo.  
 Church of England Year-Book  
 Congregational Year-Book  
 †Co-operative Wholesale Society's  
 Annual  
 County Council's, &c., Companion  
 Crockford's Clerical Directory  
 Daily Mail Year-Book  
 Englishwoman's Year-Book  
 †Foresters' Directory  
 Free Church Year Book  
 Fruit Grovers' Year-Book  
 Gardening Year Book  
 Hazell's Annual  
 †Incorporated Soc. of Musicians  
 Year-Book

†Insurance Register  
 Investor's Shilling Year-Book  
 Jewish Year-Book  
 Medical Register  
 Municipal Year-Book  
 †National Union of Teachers' Report  
 †Paton's List of Schools  
 †Paton's Guide to Continental Schools  
 Poor Law Annual  
 "Queen" Book of Travel  
 Reformer's Year-Book  
 Schoolmasters' Year-Book  
 †Science Year-Book  
 Statesman's Year Book  
 †Tonic Sol-Fa College Calendar  
 Whitaker's Almanac  
 Whitaker's Peerage, Baronetage, &c.  
 Who's Who  
 Writer's and Artists' Year-Book  
 Year's Art

#### UNIVERSITY CALENDARS.

†Birmingham  
 Cambridge  
 †Durham  
 †Leeds  
 †Liverpool

London  
 Oxford  
 †Sheffield  
 †University Correspondence College

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

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| Bradshaw and Continental          | † Lancashire and Yorkshire          |
| † Caledonian                      | † London and North Western          |
| Cassell's A.B.C.                  | † London and South Western          |
| † Glasgow and South Western       | † London, Brighton, and South Coast |
| † Great Central                   | † Midland                           |
| † Great Eastern ; and Continental | † North British                     |
| † Great Northern                  | † North Eastern                     |
| † Great Western                   | † Norwich—Fletcher's ; Jarrold's    |
| † Highland                        | † South Eastern and Chatham         |

## DIRECTORIES.

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| † Advertiser's A.B.C. (Browne's)     | Liverpool and suburbs               |
| Beds., Hunts., and Northants.        | London, and London County           |
| Berks., Bucks., and Oxon.            | † Macdonald's English Directory and |
| Birmingham, Staffordshire, War-      | Gazetteer                           |
| wickshire, and Worcestershire        | Manchester and Salford              |
| Cambs., and Suffolk                  | Merchants, Manufacturers, and       |
| Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Rutland, | Shippers                            |
| and Notts                            | † Newspaper Press (Mitchell's)      |
| Devon and Cornwall                   | Norfolk                             |
| Durham and Northumberland            | Norwich (Jarrold's)                 |
| Essex, Herts., and Middlesex         | Somerset and Gloucestershire        |
| Hants., Wilts., and Dorset           | Stubbs' Directory                   |
| Kent, Surrey, and Sussex             | Yorks. (North and East, and West    |
| Lincolnshire, with Hull              | Ridings)                            |



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In addition the periodicals marked † on pages 9 to 12 have been presented, and Annual Reports have been received from other Public Libraries.



## FORM OF BEQUEST.

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*I bequeath, out of such part of my personal Estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Treasurer for the time being of the City of Norwich Corporation, the sum of*

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Offers of Books, Pamphlets, etc., will be gladly received by the Librarian and placed before the Committee.



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# CITY OF NORWICH

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## PUBLIC LIBRARY

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### ANNUAL REPORT, 1911-12.

The Public Library Committee has pleasure in presenting the following report on the work accomplished for the year ended 31st March, 1912.

#### LIBRARIAN.

The office of City Librarian being vacant at the end of the previous financial year, advertisements were issued in April for a trained Librarian, and in response thereto, 110 applications were received. The Committee unanimously appointed Mr. George A. Stephen, (Fellow of the Library Association), the Sub-Librarian of the St. Pancras Public Libraries, London, and the author of books and articles on library administration and kindred topics. The new Librarian commenced his duties on the 1st June, and at the first Committee Meeting after his appointment he submitted a comprehensive report on the condition of the Public Library, with suggestions for its re-organisation on up-to-date methods of library administration. After giving careful consideration to the Librarian's report the Committee approved it in principle, and from time to time has given instructions for various recommendations to be carried out.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The old Rules and Regulations for the conduct and management of all Departments of the Public Library were revised and augmented with the view of affording additional facilities to the public; the amended Rules came into force on the 1st November. Attention may be drawn to the following alterations. The hours of opening and closing of several of the Departments were altered: the News Room, which opens at 9 a.m., now closes at 10 p.m., instead of 9 p.m.; the Reading Room opens at 9 a.m., instead of 10 a.m., and closes at 10 p.m. as before; and the Lending Library closes at 9 p.m., instead of 10 p.m. each week-day, except Thursday, when it closes at 1 p.m.

The conditions under which persons may borrow books were simplified as much as possible. Every resident whose name appears on the current Ward Roll, or who shall produce his receipt for current rates of premises, or for his last quarter's rent, may borrow books for home reading on his own responsibility, and all other residents over 14 years of age may borrow books for home reading after obtaining the guarantee of a ratepayer.

In order to foster the reading habit among children and to induce them to become familiar with the Public Library, a new rule was made whereby any child under the age of 14 years, resident in the City and attending school, may borrow books on the guarantee of a ratepayer and the recommendation of a head teacher.

Borrowers' tickets are now issued within twenty-four hours from the time of receipt of the application forms, provided they are satisfactory, whereas, previously, borrowers were kept waiting for three or more days.

The Rules and Regulations have been printed in pamphlet form, and are obtainable free on application at the Library.

#### RE-DECORATION, STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS, ETC.

The Committee instructed the City Engineer to submit reports and estimates for various items of work suggested by the City Librarian, and after their consideration the following work was carried out by, or under the direction of the Works Department: (1) Double swing oak door and screen substituted for the single door in the entrance hall. (2) Openings made in west wall of Lending Library, large borrowed lights inserted, and provision of double swing door for this department. (3) Alteration of counter, repairing of portion of floor, and re-decorating of Lending Library. (4) Alteration of Librarian's office and provision of glazed screens. (5) Painting and decoration of entrance hall and public staircase.

The electric lighting of several departments having been considered inadequate, the City Electrical Engineer submitted suggestions for improving the same, chiefly by the rearrangement of lamps and the use of holophane reflecting shades, and the work was duly performed.

#### STOCK OF BOOKS.

During the year 3,448 volumes and 265 pamphlets were added by purchase or gift; 2,460 volumes being located in the Lending Library, 617 volumes and 25 pamphlets in the Reference Library, and 371 volumes and 240 pamphlets in the Local Collection.

Complete statistics regarding the stock of books in the Lending and Reference Departments will be presented as soon as the Librarian has taken stock of the Library.

#### LENDING LIBRARY.

The Librarian reported that the condition of the Lending Library was especially serious, and required immediate attention: it contained accumulations of old, useless and worn-out books, due to the fact that the Public Library has been in existence for over half a century, and the stock of books had never been subjected to a thorough overhauling. It was decided that the Librarian, instead of spending a considerable amount of time in taking stock of the entire Library, should undertake the re-organisation of the Lending Library, class by class, in order that an immediate advantage might be experienced by the public using the Library. The Librarian will make an inventory of the books in each class, and then submit to the Committee a report indicating the books that should be discarded or replaced, with a list of books that should be added to the section. After the new books have been purchased, the class under revision will be classified according to the Dewey Decimal System of Classification, and then catalogued. At the close of the period covered by this report, the Librarian had submitted the following reports on the Fiction, History and Travel, and Natural Science classes:—

#### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF FICTION.

|                                                        | Vols.             |                                                                       | Vols.             |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Number of books stocked according to indicators ... .. | 7,851             | Number of books on Library shelves ...                                | 6,190             |
|                                                        |                   | Number of books discarded by previous Librarians ... ..               | 402               |
|                                                        |                   | Number of books put aside by the late Librarian for discarding ... .. | 813               |
|                                                        |                   | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911 ... ..      | 121               |
|                                                        |                   | Number of books missing                                               | 325               |
|                                                        | <hr/> <hr/> 7,851 |                                                                       | <hr/> <hr/> 7,851 |

Of the 6,190 volumes on the Library shelves, or in circulation, I have been unable to examine 869 volumes because they have been in borrowers' hands while I have been examining the stock.

Of the 5,321 volumes I have handled, I find that only 1,405 volumes are fit for circulation, and of these over 200 require to be rebound. At least 2,588 volumes should be discarded, and the remaining 1,328 volumes are worth replacing as funds permit.

# LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF HISTORY AND TRAVEL.

|                                                                                         | Vols.             |                                                                                        | Vols.             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Number of books stocked according to Indicators marked Class H (History and Travel) ... | 3,296             | Number of books of History and Travel, on library shelves, marked Class H ...          | 2,518             |
| Marked Class S. (Art, Science, etc.) ...                                                | 59                | Number of books belonging to classes other than History and Travel, marked Class H ... | 720               |
| Marked Class M ...                                                                      | 111               | Number of books discarded by previous Librarians ...                                   | 2                 |
|                                                                                         |                   | Number of books put aside by the late Librarian for discarding ...                     | 2                 |
|                                                                                         |                   | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911 ...                          | 2                 |
|                                                                                         |                   | Number of books on Library shelves, marked Class S ...                                 | 56                |
|                                                                                         |                   | Number of books on Library shelves, marked Class M ...                                 | 111               |
|                                                                                         |                   | Number of books missing                                                                | 55                |
|                                                                                         | <hr/> 3,466 <hr/> |                                                                                        | <hr/> 3,466 <hr/> |

Of the 2,686 volumes on the Library shelves, or in circulation, I have been unable to examine 58 vols. because they were in borrowers' hands while I was examining the stock. Of the 2,630 vols. I have handled I find that 1,587 vols. are suitable for circulation, 113 should be transferred to the Reference Department, 798 should be discarded, and 132 replaced.



## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF BOOKS ON NATURAL SCIENCE.

|                                                                            | Vols.        |                                                                                            | Vols.        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Number of books according to Indicators marked Class S (Science, etc.) ... | 1,214        | Number of books on Natural Science, on Library shelves, marked Class S (Science, etc.) ... | 1,174        |
| Number of books stocked according to other Indicators ...                  | 40           | Number of books on shelves, marked other than Class S ...                                  | 40           |
|                                                                            |              | Number of books discarded by previous Librarians ...                                       | 1            |
|                                                                            |              | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911 ...                              | 2            |
|                                                                            |              | Number of books missing ...                                                                | 37           |
|                                                                            | <u>1,254</u> |                                                                                            | <u>1,254</u> |

Of the 1,174 volumes on the Library shelves, or in circulation, I have been unable to examine 41 vols. because they were in borrowers' hands while I was examining the stock. Of the 1,133 vols. I have handled I find that 677 vols. are suitable for circulation, 128 vols. should be transferred to the Reference Department, 281 vols. should be discarded, and 47 vols. replaced.

In order to bring the above-mentioned sections up-to-date the Committee decided to spend the sum of £100 on Fiction, £80 on History and Travel, and £50 on Natural Science.

Several alterations have been made in the routine work of this Department, with the view of effecting more rapid and efficient service.

The Lending Library was closed to the public on the 2nd November, on which day all the worn-out books in the Fiction class were withdrawn and the new volumes added.

This department was also closed from February 19th to 24th, when the structural alterations, cleaning, and re-decorating were effected.

## "READERS' GUIDE."

For several years past complaints have been made by borrowers regarding the lack of a printed catalogue of the books in the Library. To remedy this defect speedily, it was decided to publish at the price of one penny a bi-monthly magazine entitled

"The Readers' Guide," which would contain the whole or a portion of a classified catalogue of the books in each of the classes which had been revised, and also a list of new books added to the Library; by this means a complete list of books in the Lending Library will be published. The first number of the "Readers' Guide," containing the fiction catalogue, was published on the 1st November, and the demand for this was so great that the whole of the edition of 2,000 copies was exhausted early in March. A revised edition has been ordered. The second and third numbers of "The Readers' Guide," published in January and March respectively, contain portions of the catalogue of the History and Travel section.

#### BORROWERS.

Previous to the adoption of the new Rules and Regulations, the borrowers' tickets were not issued for any specific period, and none had been renewed for several years; consequently there was no record of the persons actually borrowing from the Library. Concurrently with the re-opening of the Lending Library, after the revision of the Fiction stock, a new form of ticket was used. Borrowers whose tickets were issued on or after January 1st, 1911, received new tickets in exchange for their old tickets, and all other persons were required to make application for tickets by filling in the application forms provided for the purpose. At the close of the period covered by this report, 4,092 borrowers' tickets were in force, viz., 3,054 ordinary tickets, 448 students' tickets, and 590 juvenile tickets.

#### ISSUES.

A statistical table is given on page 13, showing the monthly issues of books from each class during the year for home reading. The Lending Library was open on 298 days, and 77,962 volumes were issued, giving a daily average issue of 262 volumes. In the previous annual report it was stated that the number of books issued from the Lending Library had decreased very considerably, the daily average issue being 246; and this decrease continued from April to October, during which time the daily average issue was 219. The statistical table shows that a decided increase in the issues took place immediately the Fiction stock had been revised and augmented, and the first number of the "Readers' Guide" had been published, the daily average issue from November to March being 324. The highest issue on a single day was on Monday, 26th February, when 632 volumes were issued.

#### JUVENILE SECTION.

As stated herein under the heading "Rules and Regulations," juveniles are now permitted to borrow books from the Lending Library. A collection of 749 volumes of fiction and books on

various branches of knowledge, specially suitable for juvenile readers, has been formed, and a separate indicator and counter have been provided for their use.

#### REFERENCE LIBRARY.

On page 14 a statistical table is given, showing the monthly issues of books in this Department. These figures exclude the numerous references made to dictionaries, and to the directories, year books, and kindred publications which are placed on open shelves in the Reading Room. The Reference Library was open on 306 days, and 8,481 volumes were issued, giving a daily average issue of 28 volumes. The issues of books from this Department are not as large as they should be. The comparatively small use made of this Department is chiefly due to the want of a proper catalogue, and the lack of many important reference books. As soon as the reorganisation of the Lending Library is effected, particular attention will be paid to the Reference Library with the view of making it an up-to-date one.

#### LOCAL COLLECTION.

During the year the extensive local collection has been considerably augmented by donations and purchases. It has been the practice of the Committee to allocate for local collection purposes the money received as fines, and as the sum of £254 9s. 1d. had accumulated by the end of the last financial year, the Committee resolved to make a number of purchases at the auction sales of Dr. Augustus Jessopp's Library and the Townshend Heirlooms. At these sales many interesting and valuable documents relating to the history of Norfolk and Norwich were purchased at a cost of £91 18s. 3d. One of the documents purchased at the Townshend sale was "An Address from the Gentry of Norfolk and Norwich to General Monk," in 1660, bearing the signatures of about 800 persons. This manuscript, being signed by nearly everyone of importance in Norfolk at the period, is of much local importance, and the Committee have arranged for its publication in facsimile, provided sufficient subscriptions can be obtained. These purchases were followed by a valuable donation from Mr. Walter Rye, consisting of a Map of the Coast of Norfolk, 1585, and 68 manuscripts and printed books, of which special mention may be made of the following:—

Friar Brackley's Armorial Manuscript.—A paper volume of 142 pages, with 75 coloured drawings of arms of the Pastons and Mautbys and their matches. Its date is about 1460, and it is the oldest Norfolk Armorial Manuscript known.

Collection of original manuscripts relating to the Carpenters' Company of Norwich, 1594.

Rev. F. Blomefield's Original Entry Book for his "History of Norfolk," 1733-6.

Petition of Henrie Honyng to Charles I.

Pardon to William Heyhoe, of Watton, with the great seal of King James I.

Note-Book of Thomas Martin.

Parchment Letter issued in blank by Brother William Bryggs, Prior of the Friars Preachers or Black Friars, through Friar Robert Felmyngham.

Norfolk Pedigrees compiled by Peter Le Neve.—A volume (of 86 pages) of Norfolk Pedigrees, with the arms in colours, and an index of names.

In order to show its appreciation of the generous gifts which Mr. Walter Rye has made on various occasions to the Public Library, and at the same time to display them to the public, the Committee provided a handsome exhibition case in the Reading Room in February.

Various small purchases of local books, pamphlets, maps, and prints have also been made during the year.

With the view of preserving the large collection of prints, portraits, and maps, and also making them easily accessible to the public, many of them have been mounted, and all of them have been arranged in specially designed dust-proof boxes.

During the year 427 vols. in the collection were bound at a cost of £28 9s. 11d. The expenditure of this amount was necessary because no attention had been paid to the binding of local books for several years.

#### READING AND NEWS ROOMS.

The Reading Room and the News Room have been well attended during the year. The list of periodicals and newspapers provided in these rooms was carefully revised in January, with the view of making the collection as representative as possible. The Library now contains a judicious selection of the leading London and provincial newspapers, and a large variety of the best periodicals. In addition to a selection of the weekly illustrated papers, popular magazines, and periodicals for ladies, there are periodicals devoted to the principal industries, science, technology, literature, art, politics, history and travel, sports and pastimes, philosophy, and religion. A complete list of the newspapers and periodicals provided at the Library is given on pp. 17-19.

## BOOKBINDING.

The new Librarian reported that a large portion of the stock of books was in a bad condition, due to the books having been bound inadequately, or imperfectly repaired, or not having been treated as soon as necessary. Library books require special bindings, and therefore a suitable specification has been prepared, in accordance with which the books are now bound. During the year 2,007 volumes have been bound at a cost of £129 19s. 11d., of which 427 volumes belong to the Local Collection.

## BOOKS FOR THE BLIND.

Arrangements have been made with the National Lending Library for the Blind for the loan of twenty volumes monthly in Braille or Moon type. The books have been much appreciated by some of the blind persons in Norwich, 415 volumes having been issued since July.

## DONATIONS.

During the period covered by this report 287 volumes and 17 pamphlets were presented by various donors, as enumerated on pages 15-16, and the publishers of 12 periodicals undertook to present their respective periodicals to the Library regularly as issued. The grateful thanks of the Committee have been expressed to the donors, and the Council tendered its thanks to Mr. Walter Rye for his generous gift, to which reference is made on pages 9-10.

## OLD PERIODICALS, ETC.

Following the practice of previous years, some of the old newspapers and periodicals, and the best of the discarded books, have been sent to the City Asylum, County Asylum, Isolation Hospital, and Workhouse for the use of the inmates.

## DISTRESS OFFICES.

The Committee recommended the Council, in the interest of the Library, to make arrangements for the Distress Committee to give up the occupancy of the upper rooms of the Library building for two reasons: (1) because the loitering of the unemployed at the entrance and on the staircase caused great inconvenience to many of the persons who used the Library, and deterred others from doing so; (2) because the rooms were required for Library purposes. The Council decided that the Distress Committee should remove by the 1st May, 1912.

## CITY LIBRARY.

The Committee concurred with the recommendation of the City Committee that the Librarian should be appointed Librarian of the City Library, the appointment to be held by Mr. Stephen in



conjunction with his office of Public Librarian. Acting upon the Librarian's suggestion, the City Committee provided in the Reading Room a large exhibition case for the display of some of the books in the City Library. The exhibition of a selection of the rare books, to which descriptive notes are attached, has aroused much interest.

#### STAFF.

By an instruction of the Committee the Librarian presented a report regarding the desirability of members of the Library staff studying for the Library Association's professional examinations, in order that they might carry out their duties more efficiently than they have done hitherto. The Committee resolved that four of the assistants should be required to enter for the Library Association's examinations, and as an incentive, the Committee decided to offer to such assistants an increase of 2s. 6d. per week in salary for each certificate obtained during the next two years.

During the year several changes have taken place in the personnel of the staff. By the death of Mr. George Tennant, on the 17th August, the Committee lost the services of an officer who had served it faithfully for over 23 years, as Sub-Librarian from 1888 to 1901, as Librarian from 1901 to 1909, and subsequently as Superintendent of the Reading Room. Mr. George Long, a senior assistant, left the service of the Committee on the 30th December. To fill the two vacancies on the staff thus created, Mr. Walter B. Rix and Mr. Frank Bussey were appointed as Junior Assistants, both of whom were educated at the City of Norwich School.

The staff are loyally responding to the increased demands made upon them as a result of the more extensive use of the Library by the public.

#### CONCLUSION.

The balance of £969 15s. 8d. (which includes the sum of £254 9s. 1d. allocated for the Local Collection) in hand at the end of the last financial year enabled the Committee to carry out the desirable improvements herein mentioned without curtailing the necessary expenses connected with the upkeep of the Library. The Committee is endeavouring to increase the efficiency of the Library so that it will be brought into line with other Public Libraries in the country, and will become the literary workshop and bureau of information of the inhabitants of Norwich.

HENRY J. COPEMAN,

*Lord Mayor,  
Chairman.*



# LENDING LIBRARY.

## Classification of the Issues of Books, 1911-12.

| Months.       | Days open. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Juvenile. | Total Issues. | Number of Persons. | Average Daily Issues. |
|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| April ...     | 23         | 287                                | 118                           | 79                | 4717     | 187                 | 388                                    | 49                | —         | 5825          | 5750               | 253                   |
| May ...       | 27         | 276                                | 96                            | 59                | 4754     | 214                 | 332                                    | 38                | —         | 5769          | 5704               | 214                   |
| June ...      | 24         | 232                                | 103                           | 53                | 4591     | 164                 | 306                                    | 35                | —         | 5484          | 5437               | 229                   |
| July ...      | 26         | 244                                | 84                            | 55                | 4632     | 186                 | 312                                    | 53                | —         | 5566          | 5509               | 214                   |
| August ...    | 26         | 241                                | 104                           | 59                | 4359     | 201                 | 339                                    | 44                | —         | 5347          | 5285               | 206                   |
| September ... | 26         | 290                                | 104                           | 71                | 4263     | 203                 | 301                                    | 51                | —         | 5283          | 5220               | 203                   |
| October ...   | 26         | 292                                | 136                           | 71                | 4782     | 161                 | 306                                    | 43                | —         | 5791          | 5718               | 223                   |
| November ...  | 24         | 343                                | 132                           | 89                | 4261     | 141                 | 274                                    | 48                | 1345      | 6633          | 6590               | 276                   |
| December ...  | 24         | 421                                | 137                           | 79                | 4941     | 102                 | 312                                    | 35                | 1666      | 7693          | 7645               | 321                   |
| January ...   | 27         | 424                                | 118                           | 108               | 5374     | 294                 | 345                                    | 59                | 1970      | 8692          | 8642               | 322                   |
| February ...  | 19         | 262                                | 103                           | 86                | 4306     | 283                 | 267                                    | 38                | 1421      | 6766          | 6722               | 356                   |
| March ...     | 26         | 428                                | 113                           | 107               | 5506     | 515                 | 326                                    | 49                | 2069      | 9113          | 9044               | 351                   |
|               | 298        | 3,740                              | 1,348                         | 916               | 56,486   | 2,651               | 3,808                                  | 542               | 8,471     | 7,7962        | 7,7266             | 262                   |

# REFERENCE LIBRARY.

## Classification of the Issues of Books, 1911-12.

| Months.    | Days open. | Local Collection. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Total. | Average Daily Issues. |
|------------|------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| April ...  | 23         | 250               | 186                                | 18                            | 17                | 55                  | 247                                    | 34                | 807    | 35                    |
| May ...    | 27         | 226               | 213                                | 33                            | 21                | 57                  | 201                                    | 15                | 766    | 28                    |
| June ...   | 24         | 157               | 141                                | 23                            | 23                | 31                  | 164                                    | 31                | 570    | 24                    |
| July ...   | 26         | 191               | 135                                | 20                            | 10                | 42                  | 147                                    | 53                | 598    | 23                    |
| August ... | 26         | 260               | 141                                | 17                            | 37                | 46                  | 169                                    | 21                | 691    | 27                    |
| September  | 26         | 153               | 162                                | 33                            | 11                | 42                  | 293                                    | 40                | 734    | 28                    |
| October    | 26         | 157               | 175                                | 19                            | 16                | 59                  | 180                                    | 38                | 644    | 25                    |
| November   | 26         | 165               | 182                                | 30                            | 35                | 45                  | 295                                    | 33                | 785    | 30                    |
| December   | 24         | 147               | 88                                 | 23                            | 38                | 18                  | 222                                    | 28                | 564    | 24                    |
| January    | 27         | 214               | 119                                | 35                            | 57                | 61                  | 354                                    | 39                | 879    | 29                    |
| February   | 25         | 163               | 155                                | 27                            | 6                 | 53                  | 233                                    | 29                | 666    | 27                    |
| March ...  | 26         | 227               | 121                                | 85                            | 9                 | 69                  | 201                                    | 65                | 777    | 30                    |
|            | 306        | 2,310             | 1,818                              | 363                           | 280               | 578                 | 2,706                                  | 426               | 8,481  | 28                    |

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## READING AND NEWS ROOMS.

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- \*Agricultural Economist (M)
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- \*Animals' Guardian (M)
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- \*Bird Notes and News (Q)
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- Bradshaw's Railway Guide (M)
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- Chambers's Journal (M) 2 copies
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- \*Civil Service Gazette (W)
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- Clerk (M)
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- Commonwealth (M)
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- Contemporary Review (M)
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- \*Co-operative News (W)
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- Daily Chronicle
- Daily News
- Daily Telegraph
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- East Anglian Daily Times
- Eastern Daily Press (3 copies, 2 presented)
- Eastern Evening News (2 copies, 1 presented)
- \*Eastern Weekly Press
- Edinburgh Review (Q)

- Electrical Review (W)  
 Empire Review (M)  
 Engineering (W)  
 \*English Churchman (W)  
 English Historical Review (M)  
 English Illustrated Magazine (M)  
 English Mechanic (W)  
 English Review (M)  
 Era (W)  
 Feathered World (W)  
 Field (W)  
 Footwear (M)  
 \*Foresters' Miscellany (M)  
 Fortnightly Review (M)  
 Gardeners' Magazine (W)  
 Gencalogist (Q)  
 Girls' Own Paper (M)  
 Graphic (W) 2 copies  
 Great Thoughts (W)  
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 Nation (W)  
 National Home Reading Union:  
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 Public Opinion (W)  
 Publishers' Circular (W)  
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 Quarterly Review  
 Queen (W)  
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 \*Railway Clerk (M)  
 Review of Reviews (M)  
 \*Royal Geographical Society Journal (Half-yearly)  
 \*Royal Society of Arts Journal (W)  
 Saturday Review (W)  
 \*School Government Chronicle (W)  
 Schoolmaster (W)  
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 Scribner's Magazine (M)  
 \*Secretary (M)  
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 Shoe Manufacturers' Monthly (M)  
 Shop Assistant (W)  
 Sketch (W)



- Socialist Review (M)
- \*Society of Architects Journal (M)
- Sociological Review (Q)
- Spectator (W)
- Sphere (W)
- Standard (D)
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- State Correspondent (M)
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- Studio (M)
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- Symons's Meteorological Magazine (M)
- System (M)
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- Timber Trades' Journal (W)
- Territorial Service Gazette (W)
- Times (D)
- \*Trade Marks' Journal (W)
- Truth (W)
- United Empire (M)
- University Correspondent (F)
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- \*Vulcan (M)
- \*Warrant Officer's Naval Journal (M)
- Weldon's Ladies' Journal (M)
- Westminster Gazette (D)
- Westminster Review (M)
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- World's Work (M)
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- Yorkshire Post (D)
- Zoologist (M)
- \*Zoophilist (M)

## REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

## Expenditure.

|                                                                  | £   | s. | d. | £     | s. | d. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-------|----|----|
| To Salaries ... ..                                               |     |    |    | 752   | 13 | 10 |
| Loan—Interest ... ..                                             | 38  | 0  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Sinking Fund ... ..                                              | 52  | 13 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Income Tax ... ..                                                | 4   | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
|                                                                  |     |    |    | 95    | 4  | 4  |
| Insurance ... ..                                                 | 18  | 0  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Rates ... ..                                                     | 65  | 2  | 1  |       |    |    |
| Books ... ..                                                     | 443 | 3  | 10 |       |    |    |
| Travelling Expenses <i>re</i> Purchase of Books ...              | 6   | 18 | 3  |       |    |    |
| Bookbinding ... ..                                               | 116 | 4  | 3  |       |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals ... ..                                | 121 | 13 | 11 |       |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery ... ..                                   | 115 | 13 | 11 |       |    |    |
| Printing "Readers' Guide" ... ..                                 | 24  | 7  | 1  |       |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows ... ..                                          | 10  | 8  | 4  |       |    |    |
| Structural Alterations, Repairs, Painting and<br>Cleaning ... .. | 232 | 3  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Electric Light ... ..                                            | 73  | 9  | 8  |       |    |    |
| Alterations and Repairs to Electric Fittings ...                 | 31  | 12 | 8  |       |    |    |
| Gas and Water ... ..                                             | 5   | 10 | 6  |       |    |    |
| Steam for Heating ... ..                                         | 40  | 4  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Winding and Regulating Clocks ... ..                             | 1   | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
| Miscellaneous ... ..                                             | 14  | 0  | 1  |       |    |    |
| Telephone Rental ... ..                                          | 1   | 15 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Fire Extinguishers ... ..                                        | 17  | 9  | 2  |       |    |    |
| Bookshelves and Fittings ... ..                                  | 38  | 3  | 10 |       |    |    |
| Expenses of Candidates <i>re</i> Librarianship ...               | 8   | 8  | 1  |       |    |    |
|                                                                  |     |    |    | 1385  | 19 | 6  |
|                                                                  |     |    |    | £2233 | 17 | 8  |

*Fines Account for the Year*

|                                                              | £    | s. | d. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|
| To Books, Manuscripts, Prints, &c., for Local Collection ... | 141  | 7  | 5  |
| Bookbinding ... ..                                           | 28   | 19 | 11 |
| Boxes and Mounts for Prints ... ..                           | 38   | 19 | 4  |
| Show Case ... ..                                             | 19   | 15 | 0  |
|                                                              | £229 | 1  | 8  |

## BALANCE SHEET—

## Liabilities.

|                                                 | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| To Sundry Creditors ... ..                      |     |    |    | 176  | 6  | 1  |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1911 ... ..        | 715 | 6  | 7  |      |    |    |
| Less deficiency for the current year ...        | 463 | 18 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                 |     |    |    | 251  | 8  | 7  |
| Fines Account Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1911 | 254 | 9  | 1  |      |    |    |
| Less deficiency for the current year ...        | 206 | 8  | 11 |      |    |    |
|                                                 |     |    |    | 48   | 0  | 2  |
|                                                 |     |    |    | £475 | 14 | 10 |

ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1912.

**Income.**

|                                                                                             |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Sale of Readers' Guides, &c.                                                             | ... | ... | 12  | 2  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Borrowers' Tickets                                                                          | ... | ... | 2   | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Papers                                                                                      | ... | ... | 1   | 4  | 8  |      |    |    |
| Post Cards, &c.                                                                             | ... | ... | 1   | 17 | 8  |      |    |    |
| Book-marks                                                                                  | ... | ... | 4   | 4  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Miscellaneous                                                                               | ... | ... | 1   | 1  | 4  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    | 22   | 19 | 8  |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1911                                       | ... | ... | 432 | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1911 | ... | ... | 876 | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1912                                    | ... | ... | 438 | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |    |    | 1747 | 0  | 0  |
| Balance being excess Expenditure over Income                                                | ... |     |     |    |    | 463  | 18 | 0  |

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*ended 31st March, 1912.*

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|----------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| By Fines                                     | ... | ... | ... | ... | £   | s. | d. |
| Balance being excess Expenditure over Income | ... |     |     |     | 206 | 8  | 11 |

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**REVENUE ACCOUNT.****Assets.**

|                           |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £   | s. | d. |
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| By Cash in Hand—Treasurer | ... | ... | 473 | 14 | 10 |     |    |    |
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# CITY OF NORWICH

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## PUBLIC LIBRARY

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### ANNUAL REPORT, 1912-13.

The Public Library Committee has pleasure in presenting the following report on the work accomplished during the financial year ended 31st March, 1913.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The new Rules and Regulations which came into force last year have given satisfaction. With the view of offering to persons residing outside the Norwich City boundary all the facilities for reading and study which a public library affords, it was decided to take advantage of Section 11 of the Public Libraries Act, 1892. The Council decided, on the recommendation of the Committee, to permit persons not being inhabitants of the library district to borrow books on payment of the fee of 5/- per annum for the first combined fiction and student's ticket, and 2/6 per annum for each other ticket issued to any member of the same household, such tickets to entitle the holders to the same facilities as other borrowers.

#### RE-DECORATION, REPAIRS, ETC.

The Committee received from the City Engineer a report regarding the condition of the roof of the Library, and instructions were given for the replacing of slates where necessary, the repair of the lantern lights, and the pointing and repairing of portions of the brickwork.

The City Engineer also submitted a report on the floor of the Newsroom which was in a very bad condition, and on his recommendation plain dolomene flooring was laid at a cost of £52 13s. 0d.

In order that the large room on the second floor, formerly used as an art room, might be adapted for library purposes, the Council decided, on the recommendation of this Committee, that the room should be repaired, cleaned, lighted, and heated at a cost estimated at £95 5s. 0d. When the room is ready it will be available for Committee and other meetings, exhibitions of local prints, photographs taken for the Photographic Record Survey, referred to on pages 8-10, and other purposes.

## STOCK OF BOOKS.

During the year 2,085 volumes and 110 pamphlets were added by purchase or gift; 1,587 volumes being located in the Lending Library, 398 volumes and 5 pamphlets in the Reference Library, and 100 volumes and 105 pamphlets in the Local Collection.

## LENDING LIBRARY.

Considerable progress has been made in the systematic re-organization of the Lending Library, section by section, which was commenced by the City Librarian immediately after his appointment in June, 1911. Last year the Librarian submitted to the Committee reports regarding the stock of books in the Fiction, History and Travel, and Natural Science sections. During the present year the Committee received and adopted the following reports on the Useful Arts, Fine Arts, and Language and Literature sections:—

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF BOOKS ON USEFUL ARTS.

|                                                                             | Vols.           |                                                                                       | Vols.           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Number of books according to indicators marked Class S. (Science, etc.) ... | 658             | Number of books on Useful Arts on Library shelves marked Class S. (Science, etc.) ... | 624             |
| Number of books stocked according to other indicators ...                   | 78              | Number of books on shelves, marked other than Class S. ...                            | 78              |
|                                                                             |                 | Number of books discarded by previous Librarian ...                                   | 1               |
|                                                                             |                 | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911 ...                         | 5               |
|                                                                             |                 | Number of books missing                                                               | 28              |
|                                                                             | <hr/> 736 <hr/> |                                                                                       | <hr/> 736 <hr/> |

Of the 702 volumes on the Library shelves, or in circulation, I have been unable to examine 30 volumes because they were in borrowers' hands while I was examining the stock. Of the 672 volumes I have handled I find that 379 volumes are suitable for circulation, 59 volumes should be transferred to the Reference Department, 181 volumes should be discarded, and 54 volumes replaced.



## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF BOOKS ON FINE ARTS.

|                                                                                | Vols.      |                                                                                    | Vols.      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Number of books according to indicators marked Class S. (Science and Arts) ... | 770        | Number of books on Fine Arts on Library shelves marked Class S. (Science and Arts) | 737        |
| Number of books stocked according to other indicators ...                      | 115        | Number of books on shelves, marked other than Class S. ...                         | 115        |
|                                                                                |            | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911 ...                      | 4          |
|                                                                                |            | Number of books missing                                                            | 29         |
|                                                                                | <u>885</u> |                                                                                    | <u>885</u> |

Of the 852 volumes on the Library shelves, or in circulation, I have been unable to examine 38 volumes because they were in borrowers' hands while I was examining the stock. Of the 814 volumes I have handled I find that 643 volumes are suitable for circulation, 82 volumes should be transferred to the Reference Department, 59 volumes should be discarded, and 30 volumes replaced.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF BOOKS IN THE LITERATURE AND LANGUAGE SECTIONS.

|                                                                                                                                             | Vols.        |                                                                                                                                         | Vols.        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Number of books in the Literature and Language sections, according to indicators marked Classes P. and M. (Poetry and Literature, etc.) ... | 2,086        | Number of books in the Literature and Language sections, on Library shelves, marked classes P. and M. (Poetry and Literature, etc.) ... | 1,973        |
| Number of books stocked according to other indicators ...                                                                                   | 431          | Number of books on shelves, marked other than Classes P. and M.                                                                         | 429          |
|                                                                                                                                             |              | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911 ...                                                                           | 2            |
|                                                                                                                                             |              | Number of books missing                                                                                                                 | 113          |
|                                                                                                                                             | <u>2,517</u> |                                                                                                                                         | <u>2,517</u> |

Of the 2,402 volumes on the Library shelves, or in circulation I have been unable to examine 25 volumes because they were in

borrowers' hands while I was examining the stock. Of the 2,377 volumes I have handled, I find that 1,834 volumes are suitable for circulation, 232 volumes should be transferred to the Reference Department, 262 volumes should be discarded, and 49 volumes replaced.

With the view of obtaining a representative selection of standard and up-to-date works for the above-mentioned sections, the Committee decided to spend £60 on the Useful Arts, £70 on the Fine Arts, and £100 on the Language and Literature sections.

The books in each revised class are classified and catalogued according to the Dewey Decimal System of Classification, and the Catalogue is published by instalments in the "Readers' Guide," to which reference is made in the following paragraph. The borrowers using the Library are thus enabled to take immediate and full advantage of the revised sections. In order to supplement the classified catalogues of books published in the "Readers' Guide," a large card cabinet was purchased and installed in the Lending Library for the use of the public. This cabinet is arranged in two sections: the first contains an author catalogue of all the books catalogued in the "Readers' Guide," made by mounting each printed entry on a separate card, and then arranging the cards in alphabetical order according to the authors' names; the second section comprises a title catalogue, in which the cards are arranged under the first word of the titles of the books. By means of this card catalogue and the various numbers of the "Readers' Guide" which have been published, borrowers can easily ascertain the indicator number of any book which has been catalogued, whether they know its author's name, its subject, or its title, and they can also ascertain the titles of all books dealing with a specific subject or by a particular author.

#### "READERS' GUIDE."

The bi-monthly magazine entitled "The Readers' Guide," which was commenced last year, has regularly appeared during the year covered by this report, and has been much appreciated by the borrowers. Each number contains a portion of a classified catalogue of the books in one of the classes which have been revised, and a classified and annotated list of new books added to the Library. The May number contained the third and concluding portion of the History and Travel catalogue, and the succeeding numbers were devoted to catalogues of the Natural Science, Useful Arts and Fine Arts sections. The September number contained a comprehensive list of best books which the Library contained on the subjects of the series of University Extension Lectures on "Social Problems of To-Day," delivered by Mr. Ian C. Hannah, M.A., in the city during the Michaelmas term. This list met with

the warm approval of the Lecturer and the General Secretary of the Society. The first number of the "Readers' Guide," containing the fiction catalogue, was revised and reprinted, and published in May. During the year 3,178 copies of the various numbers of the "Readers' Guide" have been sold.

#### BORROWERS.

Since the date of the last Annual Report 2,170 tickets, have been issued to new borrowers, viz., 1,304 ordinary tickets, 630 juvenile tickets, and 236 students' tickets, and 604 tickets have been cancelled, viz., 407 ordinary tickets, 171 juvenile tickets, and 26 students' tickets. There are now 5,684 tickets actually in force, viz., 3,973 ordinary tickets, 1,053 juvenile tickets, and 658 students' tickets.

#### ISSUES.

On page 14 a statistical table is given showing the monthly issues of books from each class during the year for home reading. The Lending Library was open on 304 days (reckoning the half-day on Thursday as a whole day), and 94,419 volumes were issued, giving a daily average issue of 310 volumes. The total number of volumes issued exceeds the previous year's total by 16,457, and the daily average issue is 48 more than last year. In order to indicate the salutary effect on the issue of books which the thorough revision of this department has had since the present Librarian's appointment in June, 1911, the statistical table also shows the total issues of books from each class during the year ended 31st March, 1911. It will be observed that the total issue was then 75,672, and the daily average was 246. More significant still are the figures for the classes which have been revised and catalogued: the total issue from the Natural Science, Useful and Fine Arts sections has increased from 3,320 to 6,194, and the total issue from the History and Travel section has increased from 2,418 to 5,457. Although not deprecating the reading of fiction, the Committee is gratified to note that during the two years under consideration the percentage of fiction borrowed has decreased from 85.88 to 76.2 per cent.

#### JUVENILE SECTION.

The Juvenile Section which was established last year contains 549 volumes of fiction and 442 books on various branches of knowledge. This section is much appreciated, the total issue for the year being 21,120 volumes.

#### REFERENCE LIBRARY.

A statistical table is given on page 15, showing the monthly issues of books in the Reference Library. These figures exclude the

numerous references made to dictionaries, and to the directories, year books, and kindred publications which are placed on open shelves in the Reading Room. The Reference Library was open on 304 days, and 11,060 volumes were issued, giving a daily average of 36 volumes. These figures record a fair increase over those of the previous year, when 8,481 volumes were issued, and the daily average was 28 volumes.

#### LOCAL COLLECTION.

The local collection has been increased by the purchase or donation of 100 volumes, 105 pamphlets, and 13 prints, exclusive of prints obtained for the photographic survey.

Arrangements have been made with Messrs. Jarrold and Sons for the publication of the "Address from the Gentry of Norfolk and Norwich to General Monck" in 1660, which was purchased at the sale of the Townshend Heirlooms in 1911. The book will contain facsimiles of the eight hundred signatures on the document, several portraits of celebrated persons who signed the document, an introduction generously written by Mr. Hamon LeStrange, F.S.A., and biographical notes and index kindly contributed by Mr. Walter Rye, to whom the Committee is again indebted for further donations of local books during the year. All the material for the volume has been handed to Messrs. Jarrold and Sons, and it will probably be issued during the spring. The subscription price is 7s. 6d., and after publication the price will be raised to 10s.

#### NORFOLK AND NORWICH PHOTOGRAPHIC SURVEY.

Shortly after the disastrous flood in Norfolk and Norwich during August, 1912, the Committee decided to preserve a permanent pictorial record of the flood by collecting photographs taken by professional and amateur photographers, and the local collection now contains 127 flood photographs. Subsequently the Committee favourably considered a report from the City Librarian on the collection of photographs of all that is interesting, valuable, and characteristic of Norfolk and Norwich. The Committee realised that a collection of permanent photographs judiciously obtained would be of considerable value to the public generally, for use in connection with the extensive collection of local books in the Reference Library, and to many different classes of individuals: it would be of service to antiquaries, historians, architects, geologists, naturalists, photographers, artists, and all lovers of the beautiful in nature and art; and it would also be of inestimable value to posterity. A conference was therefore convened between a Sub-Committee of the Public Library Committee and representatives of the local learned and scientific societies on 13th January, 1913. The

Conference unanimously recommended this Committee to undertake a local photographic survey, and ultimately the following comprehensive scheme was adopted:—

1. That the object of the proposed Norfolk and Norwich Photographic Survey shall be to preserve by permanent photographic process, records of antiquities, art, architecture, geology and palæontology, natural history, passing events of local or historical importance, portraits, old documents, prints, and characteristic scenery of the county of Norfolk.

2. That a local photographic survey shall be carried out by the Norwich Public Library in collaboration with the Norwich and District Photographic Society and other local scientific societies:—

- (a) By the establishment of an Advisory Committee, called the Norwich Public Library Photographic Survey Record of Norfolk and Norwich, to be appointed by the Public Library Committee, and constituted as under, with the addition of a president and vice-presidents representing the city and county, who shall be elected by such Advisory Committee:—

1. The chairman of the Public Library Committee, who shall be chairman of the Advisory Committee, at least two other members of the Public Library Committee, and the City Librarian, who shall be secretary and curator of the survey.

2. The officers of the Norwich and District Photographic Society.

3. One representative from each of the following societies:—Norfolk and Norwich Archæological Society, Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society, Norwich Science Gossip Club, Museum Association, Norwich Teachers' Field Club, Norwich Ladies' Camera Club, King's Lynn Camera Club, and the Prehistoric Society of East Anglia.

4. At least five, and not exceeding ten, co-opted members elected for their special knowledge of the work.

- (b) By the carrying out of the practical work as follows:—

1. The local photographic survey work shall be directed by the Advisory Committee of the Norwich Public Library, constituted as above.

2. By the collaboration in the practical work of the Local Photographic Survey Record by the Norwich and District Photographic Society, and of other societies and private individuals interested. Photographs, lantern slides, and negatives from private sources will be welcomed.

3. Subscriptions towards defraying the cost of the



photographic survey shall be invited from public bodies, societies, and private individuals interested in local photographic survey record work.

4. Photographs (including lantern slides and negatives) shall be approved by the Advisory Committee. It is desirable that photographs shall be made by a permanent photographic process, and shall be delivered unmounted or on the regulation mounts to the Curator at the Public Library.

5. The photographs presented shall become the property of the Norwich Public Library, but the copyright of the photographs shall remain the property of the respective contributors, unless specially ceded to the Norwich Public Library. The name of the donor and photographer shall be attached to each print.

6. The mounting, storage, and cataloguing of the photographs shall be undertaken by the Norwich Public Library.

7. An exhibition of survey record photographs and illustrated lectures shall be given periodically at the Public Library.

With the view of stimulating public interest in the Photographic Survey, and of acquainting persons with the scope and methods of photographic survey work, a public lecture, with lantern illustrations, was delivered at Blackfriars' Hall on the 24th January, by Mr. L. Stanley Jast, the Chief Librarian of the Croydon Public Libraries, and the Hon. Curator of the Surrey Photographic Survey, who kindly gave his services gratuitously. The lecture was largely attended, and aroused widespread interest in the subject.

The Advisory Committee has been formed, and one meeting has been held, at which the following sub-committees were established: Architecture and Antiquities, Art and Literature, Topography and Passing Events, Photography, Finance and General Purposes.

The Committee has already received a donation of a few old negatives, and offers of the loan of several hundred negatives, some of which are over sixty years old, and relate to local buildings which have long since disappeared. The funds at the disposal of the Public Library Committee are insufficient to do more than pay for the cost of mounting, cataloguing and preserving the photographs; therefore the Committee earnestly hopes that subscriptions will be speedily forthcoming in order that the practical work may be commenced. As soon as an adequate number of photographs has been obtained, periodical exhibitions will be held in a suitable room at the Library.



## READING AND NEWS ROOMS.

The Reading Room and the News Room continued to be well attended during the year, and the representative collection of periodicals and newspapers now provided has given general satisfaction. A complete list of the newspapers and periodicals provided at the Library is given on pp. 19-21.

## BOOKBINDING.

Owing to the inadequate bookbinding of former years it was again necessary to have a large number of books re-bound. During the year 1,649 volumes have been re-bound at a cost of £107 19s. 7d. All the books are bound in accordance with a specification which provides for sound workmanship, good materials, and leathers tanned in accordance with the recommendations of the Royal Society of Arts.

## BOOKS FOR THE BLIND.

The subscription was continued to the National Lending Library for the Blind for the loan of twenty volumes monthly in Braille or Moon type. The total number of volumes borrowed during the year is 196 as against 415 volumes last year.

## DONATIONS.

Various donors presented 409 volumes, 52 pamphlets, and 290 prints during the year, as enumerated on pages 16-18, and the publisher of one periodical undertook to present a copy to the Library regularly as issued. The grateful thanks of the Committee have been expressed to the donors.

## OLD PERIODICALS, ETC.

The practice has been continued of sending some of the old newspapers and periodicals, and the best of the discarded books to the City Asylum, the Isolation Hospital, the Workhouse, and the County Asylum for the use of the inmates. The sale of old periodicals realised £1 7s. 4d.

## DISTRESS OFFICES.

The Distress Committee's continued occupancy of some of the upper rooms of the Library building is entirely against the wish of the Committee. The Committee desires to point out that the condition on which the use of the rooms was granted to the Distress Committee has not been fulfilled, namely that the lobby and stairs should be kept free from loiterers, by police protection or otherwise. Acting on the recommendation of the Committee, the Council, on the 16th January, 1912, resolved that the Distress Committee should remove by the 1st May, 1912, but this instruction

was not carried out. The Special Committee appointed to consider the question of Municipal Offices included in their report to the Council on the 16th July, 1912, a recommendation "That the Distress Committee be allowed to continue to have the use of the rooms at the Public Library until other arrangements are made." When making this recommendation the Special Committee did not communicate with the Public Library Committee, and the Committee was therefore unable to make any recommendation to the Council. Ever since the recommendation of December 20th, 1911, the Public Library Committee has unanimously objected to the use of the rooms by the Distress Committee, and on the 18th December, 1912, the Committee again requested the Council to take immediate steps for the removal of the Distress Committee's Offices. This recommendation was referred to the Special Committee on Municipal Offices, but at the close of the period covered by this report no communication had been received from that Committee. The loitering and loud talking of the unemployed at the Library entrance and on the staircase cause great inconvenience to many of the persons who use the Library, the Library officials are unable to deal adequately with the loiterers, and the Committee is convinced that many persons are deterred from using the Library because the Distress Offices are in the Library building. Furthermore, the upper rooms are urgently required in connection with the work of reorganization now in progress, with the view of increasing the efficiency of the Library so that it may be brought into line with other Public Libraries in the country.

#### STAFF.

The Librarian attended the Annual Conference of the Library Association which was held at Liverpool during the first week in September, and he presented to the Committee a report thereon. With the Committee's approval the Librarian delivered three lectures for the Library Association to library students at the London School of Economics and Political Science (University of London) during the Lent Term.

In accordance with a resolution of the Committee regarding the training of the staff, in order that they might do their work efficiently, two assistants sat in May for the Library Association's examination in "Cataloguing," and two in "Library Routine." The only successful assistant was Mr. Walter B. Rix, a Junior Assistant, who obtained a pass (class 3 of the Pass List) in "Library Routine." Mr. Rix's success is very creditable, as he only entered the service of the Committee in October, 1911.

Mr. M. Kelty, the Sunday and Relief Attendant, resigned on the 5th July, 1912. Acting on the Librarian's suggestion the

Committee decided that, by way of experiment, the staff hours should be rearranged in order that the duties of the Sunday and Relief Attendant should be performed by certain members of the staff, without increasing their weekly total number of hours on duty. After eight months' trial the Librarian reported that the arrangement was quite satisfactory, and the Committee accordingly resolved to abolish the office of Sunday and Relief Attendant, thereby effecting a saving of £31 4s. 0d. per annum.

#### CONCLUSION.

By using part of the balance of £299 8s. 9d. (which includes the sum of £48 0s. 2d. allocated for the Local Collection) in hand at the end of the last financial year, the Committee has been enabled to continue the improvements commenced last year, without restricting the necessary expenditure for the general upkeep of the Library.

HENRY J. COPEMAN,

*Deputy-Mayor,  
Chairman.*

# LENDING LIBRARY.

## Classification of the Issues of Books, 1912-13.

| Months.         | Days open. | Natural Science, Useful and Fine Arts. | History and Travel. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Sociology and Religion. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Fiction. | Juvenile. |                | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|-----------------|------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------|
|                 |            |                                        |                     |                               |                   |                         |                                        |          | Fiction.  | Miscellaneous. |               |                       |
| April ...       | 24         | 413                                    | 441                 | 86                            | 116               | 83                      | 317                                    | 4911     | 1458      | 501            | 8326          | 347                   |
| May ...         | 26         | 285                                    | 423                 | 89                            | 122               | 65                      | 255                                    | 4357     | 1243      | 469            | 7308          | 281                   |
| June ...        | 25         | 282                                    | 385                 | 98                            | 93                | 63                      | 270                                    | 4420     | 1208      | 398            | 7217          | 289                   |
| July ...        | 27         | 377                                    | 384                 | 73                            | 96                | 48                      | 245                                    | 4341     | 1355      | 362            | 7281          | 270                   |
| August ...      | 26         | 310                                    | 327                 | 66                            | 83                | 41                      | 187                                    | 4136     | 1097      | 285            | 6532          | 251                   |
| September ...   | 25         | 432                                    | 353                 | 95                            | 91                | 75                      | 204                                    | 4354     | 1102      | 326            | 7032          | 281                   |
| October ...     | 27         | 465                                    | 453                 | 112                           | 126               | 77                      | 258                                    | 4744     | 1229      | 330            | 7794          | 289                   |
| November ...    | 26         | 676                                    | 521                 | 108                           | 127               | 50                      | 256                                    | 5077     | 1471      | 363            | 8649          | 333                   |
| December ...    | 23         | 559                                    | 431                 | 103                           | 114               | 50                      | 262                                    | 4329     | 1366      | 376            | 7590          | 330                   |
| January ...     | 27         | 746                                    | 530                 | 117                           | 128               | 48                      | 205                                    | 5052     | 1660      | 466            | 8952          | 332                   |
| February ...    | 24         | 659                                    | 596                 | 112                           | 100               | 49                      | 187                                    | 4888     | 1506      | 496            | 8593          | 358                   |
| March ...       | 24         | 990                                    | 613                 | 121                           | 40                | 41                      | 93                                     | 5194     | 1454      | 599            | 9145          | 381                   |
| Totals: 1910-11 | 304        | 6,194                                  | 5,457               | 1,180                         | 1,236             | 690                     | 2,739                                  | 55,803   | 16,149    | 4,971          | 94,419        | 310                   |
|                 | 308        | 3,320                                  | 2,418               | 1,335                         | 791               | 586                     | 3,838                                  | 63,384   | —         | —              | 75,672        | 246                   |

# REFERENCE LIBRARY.

## Classification of the Issues of Books, 1912-13.

| Months.    | Days open. | Local Collection. | Science, Art, and Natural History. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Law and Theology. | Total. | Average Daily Issues. |
|------------|------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| 1912       |            |                   |                                    |                               |                   |          |                     |                                        |                   |        |                       |
| April ...  | 24         | 123               | 133                                | 12                            | 28                | —        | 44                  | 236                                    | 44                | 620    | 26                    |
| May ...    | 26         | 210               | 136                                | 35                            | 15                | —        | 75                  | 315                                    | 24                | 810    | 31                    |
| June ...   | 25         | 318               | 223                                | 38                            | 9                 | —        | 99                  | 390                                    | 25                | 1102   | 44                    |
| July ...   | 27         | 250               | 189                                | 40                            | 10                | —        | 64                  | 265                                    | 30                | 848    | 31                    |
| August ... | 26         | 228               | 112                                | 24                            | 15                | 2        | 55                  | 371                                    | 30                | 837    | 32                    |
| September  | 25         | 210               | 179                                | 42                            | 24                | 1        | 61                  | 382                                    | 39                | 938    | 38                    |
| October    | 27         | 174               | 197                                | 40                            | 97                | —        | 118                 | 371                                    | 43                | 1040   | 39                    |
| November   | 26         | 228               | 189                                | 50                            | 78                | —        | 105                 | 388                                    | 39                | 1077   | 41                    |
| December   | 23         | 453               | 136                                | 24                            | 90                | 1        | 110                 | 328                                    | 26                | 1168   | 51                    |
| 1913       |            |                   |                                    |                               |                   |          |                     |                                        |                   |        |                       |
| January    | 27         | 250               | 148                                | 38                            | 23                | 1        | 69                  | 312                                    | 18                | 859    | 32                    |
| February   | 24         | 251               | 156                                | 21                            | 18                | —        | 78                  | 310                                    | 54                | 888    | 37                    |
| March ...  | 24         | 213               | 170                                | 75                            | 12                | —        | 52                  | 322                                    | 29                | 873    | 36                    |
|            | 304        | 2,908             | 1,968                              | 439                           | 419               | 5        | 930                 | 3,990                                  | 401               | 11,060 | 36                    |

## DONORS TO THE LIBRARY.

|                                                       |     | Vols. | Pamphlets. | Prints. |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----|-------|------------|---------|
| Australia, High Commissioner for                      | ... | 2     |            |         |
| Australia, South, Agent-General for                   | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Australia, Western, Agent General for                 | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Basketmakers, Worshipful Company of                   | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Batchelor, A., Norwich                                | ... | 2     |            |         |
| Beloe, E. M., King's Lynn                             | ... |       | 1          |         |
| Board of Trade                                        | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Bolingbroke, L. G., Norwich                           | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Boston Public Library, U.S.A.                         | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Breese, T. S., Norwich                                | ... |       | 1          |         |
| British Association for the Advancement<br>of Science | ... | 1     |            |         |
| British Museum, Trustees of                           | ... | 13    |            |         |
| Brown, Miss Alice H., Norwich                         | ... |       |            | 4       |
| Burrows, Stephen M., London                           | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Buston, W., Norwich                                   | ... |       |            | 6       |
| Buxton, F. G., v.d., d.L., Dunston                    | ... | 2     |            |         |
| Canada, High Commissioner for                         | ... | 2     |            |         |
| Carlier, E. W.                                        | ... |       | 1          |         |
| Central Association of Accountants, London            |     | 1     |            |         |
| Clarke, W. G., Norwich                                | ... |       | 1          |         |
| Clutterbuck, Walter J., Marsham                       | ... |       |            | 5       |
| Coe, A. E., Norwich                                   | ... |       |            | 1       |
| Commissioners on Ancient Earthworks                   | ... |       | 1          |         |
| Co-operative Union, Ltd.                              | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Co-operative Wholesale Society, Ltd.                  | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Cozens-Hardy, A., Norwich                             | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Crane, Crane & Co., London                            | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Cubitt, George, Norwich                               | ... | 2     |            | 182     |
| Dack, Charles, Peterborough                           | ... |       | 1          |         |
| Delf, R. J., Norwich                                  | ... |       |            | 8       |
| Dublin, Trinity College                               | ... | 2     |            |         |
| Durham University                                     | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Enraght, Rev. H. J., Ranworth                         | ... |       |            | 5       |
| Euren, A. D., Norwich                                 | ... | 32    |            |         |
| Euren, H. F., Norwich                                 | ... | 20    |            |         |
| Fitzgerald, Canon T., Norwich                         | ... | 1     |            |         |
| Gee, W. C., North Walsham                             | ... |       | 2          |         |
| Geldart, Miss, Norwich                                | ... |       |            | 10      |
| Gilman, W. C., Norwich, Connecticut, U.S.A.           |     | 1     |            |         |
| Gurney, J.H., F.H.S., F.B.S., J.P., Keswick           | ... | 6     |            |         |
| Haldinstein, F. W., Norwich                           | ... |       | 20         |         |



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|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Hardwick, G. E., Norwich                                  | ... | ... | 17  |
| Harmer, F. W., F.G.S., F.R.MET.SOC., J.P.,<br>Cringelford | ... | ... | 2   |
| Hildyard, Mrs., Wickmere, Aylsham                         | ... | ... | 1   |
| Hooper, James, Norwich                                    | ... | ... | 4   |
| Howard, G. F., Norwich                                    | ... | ... | 1   |
| Humphris, W., Norwich                                     | ... | ... | 1   |
| India Office                                              | ... | ... | 17  |
| Jarrold & Sons, Ltd., Norwich                             | ... | ... | 2   |
| Jewson, W. H., Norwich                                    | ... | ... | 1   |
| King's Lynn, Town Clerk of                                | ... | ... | 1   |
| Labour Co-partnership Association, London                 | ... | ... | 1   |
| Leeds, University of                                      | ... | ... | 1   |
| Leigh Browne Endowment, London                            | ... | ... | 1   |
| Library of Congress, Washington, U.S.A.                   | ... | ... | 6 1 |
| Liverpool, University of                                  | ... | ... | 1   |
| London Directory Co., Ltd.                                | ... | ... | 1   |
| London School of Economics                                | ... | ... | 1   |
| London, University of                                     | ... | ... | 1   |
| Lowestoft, Town Clerk of                                  | ... | ... | 1   |
| Luard, Col. A. H., D.S.O., London                         | ... | ... | 1   |
| Macdonald, W. & Co., Edinburgh                            | ... | ... | 1   |
| Mancroft Pageant, Hon. Secretary                          | ... | ... | 1   |
| Mann, J. F., London                                       | ... | ... | 1   |
| Mather & Crowther, London                                 | ... | ... | 1   |
| Mayfield, A., Mendlesham, Stowmarket                      | ... | ... | 1   |
| Mills, J., London                                         | ... | ... | 1   |
| Moody, T. & Co., London                                   | ... | ... | 1   |
| National Union of Teachers                                | ... | ... | 1   |
| Navy Records Society                                      | ... | ... | 36  |
| New Zealand, High Commissioner for                        | ... | ... | 1   |
| Norfolk & Norwich Horticultural Society                   | ... | ... | 1   |
| North Walsham, Parish Clerk of                            | ... | ... | 1   |
| Nova Scotia, Agent General for                            | ... | ... | 1   |
| Paton, J. & J., London                                    | ... | ... | 2   |
| Patterson, A. H., Great Yarmouth                          | ... | ... | 1   |
| Peake, Edward, Norwich                                    | ... | ... | 1   |
| Picton, J. W., London                                     | ... | ... | 10  |
| Playford, Miss, Norwich                                   | ... | ... | 1   |
| Porter, Robert P., London                                 | ... | ... | 5   |
| Ransome, G., Norwich                                      | ... | ... | 3   |
| Reeve, James, Norwich                                     | ... | ... | 30  |
| Reid, Sir George, London                                  | ... | ... | 1   |
| Richards, Grant, London                                   | ... | ... | 1   |
| Roberts & Co., Norwich                                    | ... | ... | 2   |
| Robertson, G. & Co., London                               | ... | ... | 1   |
| Roper-Caldbeck, Major, W.                                 | ... | ... | 1   |

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| Royal Agricultural Society                       | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Royal Colonial Institute                         | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association           | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Rye, Walter, Lammas                              | ... | ... | 9  | 2 | 1 |
| Sargent, E. B., Hedley, Epsom                    | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Schooling, J. H., London                         | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Sheffield, University of                         | ... | ... | 2  |   |   |
| Simms, R., Newcastle, Staffs.                    | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Smith, E. J. S., Lowestoft                       | ... | ... |    | 1 |   |
| Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A.      | 1   |     |    |   |   |
| Society of Friends                               | ... | ... |    |   | 1 |
| Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Stationery Office, H.M.                          | ... | ... | 48 | 5 |   |
| Stubbs' Publishing Co., Ltd., London             | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Tennant, Miss, Norwich                           | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Thirion, Miss A., London                         | ... | ... | 2  |   |   |
| Thompson, W. P. & Co., London...                 | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Tingey, J. C., Norwich                           | ... | ... |    |   | 1 |
| Trade Directories, Ltd., Edinburgh               | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| University Correspondence College                | ... | ... | 2  |   |   |
| University Tutorial Press, Ltd.                  | ... | ... | 3  |   |   |
| Vince, H. J., Norwich                            | ... | ... |    | 4 |   |
| Waylen, H., Blackpool                            | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| Whitaker & Sons, Ltd., London                    | ... | ... | 1  |   |   |
| White, Sir George, Norwich (Bequest)             | ... | 133 |    |   |   |
| Wilby, T. W., New York, U.S.A.                   | ... | 1   |    |   |   |
| Wood, Mrs. Henry, Norwich                        | ... | ... |    |   | 2 |
| Woodrow, T. J., Potter's Bar                     | ... | ... |    |   | 1 |
| Woolman, J., Watford Public Library              | ... |     |    | 1 |   |

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| Baltimore (Enoch Pratt | Institute, U.S.A.)    | Ealing       |
| Library, U.S.A.)       | Bury                  | Eastbourne   |
| Barnsley               | Buxton                | Eccles       |
| Barry                  | Cambridge             | Folkestone   |
| Battersea              | Cardiff               | Fulham       |
| Belfast                | Cheltenham            | Gloucester   |
| Birmingham             | Chicago (U.S.A.) (The | Hackney      |
| Bishopsgate Institute  | John Crerar Library)  | Hammersmith  |
| Blackburn              | Chorley               | Hereford     |
| Bootle                 | Coventry              | Hornsey      |
| Boston (U.S.A.)        | Cripplegate Institute | Huddersfield |
| Bournemouth            | Croydon               | Hyde         |
| Bradford               | Darlington            | Ilkley       |
| Brighton               | Derby                 | Ipswich      |
| Bristol                | Detroit (U.S.A.)      | Kilburn      |

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Kingston-upon-Thames              | Paisley                     | Wandsworth                       |
| Leeds                             | Perth                       | Washington (Library of Congress) |
| Leicester                         | Pittsburgh (U.S.A.)         | Waterloo-with-Seaforth           |
| Leyton                            | Plymouth                    | Watford                          |
| Lincoln                           | Poplar                      | West Bromwich                    |
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| Lowestoft                         | Reading                     | Weston-Super-Mare                |
| Manchester                        | Richmond                    | Whitehaven                       |
| Manchester (John Rylands Library) | St. Helens                  | Wigan                            |
| New York (U.S.A.)                 | St. Louis (U.S.A.)          | Willesden                        |
| Newark-on-Trent                   | Salem (Mass., U.S.A.)       | Wilmington (Delaware, U.S.A.)    |
| Newcastle-upon-Tyne               | Salford                     | Wimbledon                        |
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| Nottingham                        | Smethwick                   | Worcester (U.S.A.)               |
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|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Academy (W)                                      | Bradshaw's Railway Guide (M)                   |
| *Agricultural Economist (M)                      | British and Colonial Printer and Stationer (W) |
| Amateur Gardening (W)                            | *British Esperantist (M)                       |
| *Animal World (M)                                | British Journal of Photography (W)             |
| *Animals' Guardian (M)                           | British Printer (Bi-Monthly)                   |
| Antiquary (M)                                    | Builder (W)                                    |
| *Anti-Slavery Report (Q)                         | Burlington Magazine (M)                        |
| Architect (W)                                    | Bystander (W)                                  |
| Army and Navy Gazette (W)                        | Cabinet Maker (W)                              |
| Army List (M)                                    | Cage Birds (W)                                 |
| *Associated Accountants' Journal (Q)             | Canadian and British News (W)                  |
| Athenæum (W)                                     | Canadian Magazine (M)                          |
| Atlantic Monthly                                 | Canadian Mail (W)                              |
| Badminton Magazine (M)                           | *Canadian Patent Office Record (M)             |
| Bazaar, Exchange and Mart (Wed., Fri., and Sat.) | Cassier's Magazine (M)                         |
| *Bird Notes and News (Q)                         | Century Magazine (M)                           |
| Birmingham Daily Post                            | *Certified Accountants' Journal (M)            |
| Blackwood's Magazine (M)                         | Chambers's Journal (M) 2 copies                |
| Board of Agriculture Journal (M)                 | Chemical World (M)                             |
| *Board of Trade Journal (W)                      | Christian Commonwealth (W)                     |
| Bookman (M)                                      | Christian Life and Unitarian Herald (W)        |
| Boot and Shoe Trades' Journal (W)                | Christian World (W)                            |
| Boys' Own Paper (W)                              | Church Missionary Review (M)                   |
| Bradshaw's Continental Guide (M)                 |                                                |

- Church Times (W)  
 \*Civil Service Aspirant (W)  
 \*Civil Service Candidate (F)  
 \*Civil Service Gazette (W)  
 Clarion (W)  
 Clerk (M)  
 Commonwealth (M)  
 Connoisseur (M); and supplement,  
 Sale Prices (Q)  
 Contemporary Review (M)  
 \*Cook's Traveller's Gazette (M)  
 \*Co-operative News (W)  
 Cornhill Magazine (M)  
 County Gentleman, and Land and  
 Water (W)  
 \*Cowkeeper and Dairyman's  
 Journal (M)  
 \*Cromer and North Norfolk Post  
 (W)  
 \*Cycling (W)  
 \*Cyclists' Touring Club Gazette (M)  
 Daily Chronicle  
 Daily Citizen  
 Daily News  
 Daily Telegraph  
 \*Decorators' and Painters'  
 Magazine (M)  
 Drapers' Record (W)  
 East Anglian Daily Times  
 Eastern Daily Press (3 copies, 2  
 presented)  
 Eastern Evening News (3 copies, 1  
 presented)  
 \*Eastern Weekly Press  
 Edinburgh Review (Q)  
 Electrical Review (W)  
 Empire Review (M)  
 Engineering (W)  
 \*English Churchman (W)  
 English Historical Review (M)  
 English Illustrated Magazine (M)  
 English Mechanic (W)  
 English Review (M)  
 Era (W)  
 Everyman (W)  
 Feathered World (W)  
 Field (W)  
 \*Foresters' Miscellany (M)  
 Fortnightly Review (M)  
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 Genealogist (Q)  
 Girls' Own Paper (M)  
 Graphic (W) 2 copies  
 Grocer (W)  
 Guardian (W)  
 Hardware Trades' Journal (W)  
 Harper's Magazine (M)  
 Hibbert Journal (Q)  
 Highway (M)  
 Illustrated London News (W) 2  
 copies  
 \*Incorporated Accountants' Journal  
 (M)  
 India (W)  
 \*Individualist (Bi-monthly)  
 \*Insurance Agent and Review (M)  
 \*Jewish Missionary Intelligence (M)  
 Journal of Education (M)  
 \*Justice (W)  
 \*Labour Gazette (M)  
 Labour Leader (W)  
 Lady's Pictorial (W)  
 Liverpool Daily Post and Mercury  
 Local Government Journal (W)  
 London Missionary Society's  
 Chronicle (M)  
 \*Lowestoft Journal (W)  
 \*Lowestoft Standard (W)  
 Lynn Advertiser (W)  
 Manchester Guardian (D)  
 Mechanical World (W)  
 \*Millgate Monthly  
 Miscellanea Genealogica et  
 Heraldica (Q)  
 Missionary Review of the World (M)  
 \*Monthly Notes on Tariff Reform  
 \*Monthly Report of the Society of  
 Musicians  
 Morning Post (D)  
 \*Motor Cycling (W)  
 \*Motor Traction (W)  
 Municipal Journal (W)  
 \*Musical Herald (M)  
 Musical Times (M)  
 Nation (W)  
 National Home Reading Union :  
 General Course Magazine (M)  
 Special Course Magazine (M)  
 Young People's Magazine (M)  
 National Review (M)  
 Nature (W)  
 Navy List (Q)  
 \*New Church Magazine (M)  
 \*New Zealand Farmer (M)  
 Newcastle Chronicle (W)  
 Nineteenth Century (M)  
 Norfolk Chronicle (W) (2 copies, 1  
 presented)  
 Norfolk News (W) (2 copies, 1  
 presented)  
 Norwich Mercury (Twice weekly)  
 (2 copies)  
 Notes and Queries (W)  
 Outing (M)  
 Outlook (W)  
 Pall Mall Gazette (D)

- Pall Mall Magazine (M)
- \*Patents, Illustrated Official Journal of (W)
- \*People's Weekly Journal (W)
- Pitman's Journal (W)
- \*Plumber and Decorator (M)
- \*Plumbing Trade Journal (M)
- \*Poor Law Officers' Journal (W)
- \*Positivist Review (M)
- Post Office Guide (Q)
- \*Poultry (W)
- \*Practical Engineer (W)
- \*Progress (M) (Norwich Y.M.C.A.)
- Public Opinion (W)
- Publishers' Circular (W)
- Punch (W) (2 copies)
- Quarterly Review
- Queen (W)
- Quiver (M)
- \*Railway Clerk (M)
- Review of Reviews (M)
- \*Royal Geographical Society Journal (Half-yearly)
- \*Royal Society of Arts Journal (W)
- Saturday Review (W)
- \*School Government Chronicle (W)
- Schoolmaster (W)
- Science Progress (Q)
- Scientific American (W)
- Scribner's Magazine (M)
- \*Secretary (M)
- Shipping Gazette, Lloyd's List (W)
- Shoe and Leather Record (W)
- Shoe Manufacturers' Monthly (M)
- Shop Assistant (W)
- Sketch (W)
- Socialist Review (M)
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- Sociological Review (Q)
- Spectator (W)
- Sphere (W)
- Standard (D)
- Statist (W)
- State Correspondent (M)
- Strand Magazine (M)
- Studio (M)
- Sunday at Home (M)
- Superintendent and Foreman (W)
- Symons's Meteorological Magazine (M)
- System (M)
- Tablet (W)
- Tailor and Cutter (W)
- Territorial Service Gazette (W)
- Timber Trades' Journal (W)
- Times (D)
- \*Trade Marks' Journal (W)
- Truth (W)
- United Empire (M)
- \*University Correspondent (M)
- Votes for Women (W)
- \*Vulcan (M)
- \*Warrant Officer's Naval Journal (M)
- Weldon's Ladies' Journal (M)
- Westminster Gazette (D)
- Westminster Review (M)
- Woodworker (M)
- Work (W)
- World's Work (M)
- \*Yarmouth Independent (W)
- Yorkshire Post (D)
- Zoologist (M)
- \*Zoophilist (M)

# REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

| Expenditure.                                                    |     |     |     | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----------|------------|
| To Salaries                                                     | ... | ... | ... |          | 706 17 10  |
| Loan—Interest...                                                | ... | ... | ... | 38 0 0   |            |
| Sinking Fund                                                    | ... | ... | ... | 52 13 0  |            |
| Income Tax                                                      | ... | ... | ... | 2 7 0    |            |
|                                                                 |     |     |     |          | 93 0 0     |
| Insurance                                                       | ... | ... | ... | 18 13 9  |            |
| Rates                                                           | ... | ... | ... | 67 3 9   |            |
| Books                                                           | ... | ... | ... | 332 8 4  |            |
| Carriage on Books                                               | ... | ... | ... | 4 1 3    |            |
| Bookbinding                                                     | ... | ... | ... | 112 3 6  |            |
| Newspapers and Periodicals                                      | ... | ... | ... | 117 3 1  |            |
| Printing and Stationery                                         | ... | ... | ... | 60 19 11 |            |
| Printing "Readers' Guide"                                       | ... | ... | ... | 55 12 1  |            |
| Cleaning Windows                                                | ... | ... | ... | 12 0 10  |            |
| Structural Alterations, Repairs, Painting and Cleaning          | ... | ... | ... | 123 15 1 |            |
| Dolomont Floor, News Room                                       | ... | ... | ... | 52 13 0  |            |
| Electric Light                                                  | ... | ... | ... | 77 8 0   |            |
| Repairs to Electric Fittings                                    | ... | ... | ... | 1 19 0   |            |
| Gas and Water...                                                | ... | ... | ... | 5 4 3    |            |
| Steam for Heating                                               | ... | ... | ... | 46 7 10  |            |
| Winding and Regulating Clocks                                   | ... | ... | ... | 1 11 4   |            |
| Telephone Rental                                                | ... | ... | ... | 1 15 0   |            |
| Bookshelves and Fittings                                        | ... | ... | ... | 19 1 8   |            |
| Uniform for Attendant                                           | ... | ... | ... | 5 13 0   |            |
| Librarian attending Conference at Liverpool                     | ... | ... | ... | 4 19 6   |            |
| Typewriter                                                      | ... | ... | ... | 21 5 0   |            |
| Expenses <i>re</i> Lecture on "Photographic Record Survey Work" | ... | ... | ... | 4 2 9    |            |
| Employers' Contributions—National Insurance Act, 1911           | ... | ... | ... | 3 17 5   |            |
| Miscellaneous                                                   | ... | ... | ... | 18 0 7   |            |
|                                                                 |     |     |     |          | 1167 19 11 |
|                                                                 |     |     |     |          | £1967 17 9 |

## Fines Account for the Year

|                                                          | £ s. d. |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| To Books, Manuscripts, Prints, &c., for Local Collection | 18 19 8 |
| Bookbinding                                              | 1 9 5   |
| Boxes and Mounts for Prints                              | 4 5 6   |
|                                                          | 24 14 7 |
| Balance being excess Income over Expenditure             | 6 11 11 |
|                                                          | £31 6 6 |

## BALANCE SHEET—

| Liabilities.                                    |     |     |     | £ s. d.   | £ s. d.   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------|-----------|
| To Sundry Creditors                             | ... | ... | ... |           | 73 3 10   |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1912               | ... | ... | ... | 251 8 7   |           |
| Less deficiency for the current year            | ... | ... | ... | 187 13 11 |           |
|                                                 |     |     |     |           | 63 14 8   |
| Fines Account Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1912 | ... | ... | ... | 48 0 2    |           |
| Do. for the current year                        | ... | ... | ... | 6 11 11   |           |
|                                                 |     |     |     |           | 54 12 1   |
|                                                 |     |     |     |           | £191 10 7 |



ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913.

|                                                                                             |     |     |     | Income. |     |     | £ s. d. |    |    | £ s. d. |      |      |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|---------|----|----|---------|------|------|
| By Sale of "Readers' Guide," &c.                                                            | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 13      | 12 | 11 |         |      |      |
| Borrowers' Tickets                                                                          | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... |         | 5  | 6  |         |      |      |
| Papers                                                                                      | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 1       | 7  | 4  |         |      |      |
| Post Cards, &c.                                                                             | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 2       | 8  | 3  |         |      |      |
| Special Fees for use of Library                                                             | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 2       | 10 | 0  |         |      |      |
| Miscellaneous                                                                               | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... |         | 19 | 10 |         |      |      |
|                                                                                             |     |     |     |         |     |     | <hr/>   |    |    |         | 21   | 3 10 |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1912                                       | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 438     | 10 | 0  |         |      |      |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1912 | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 880     | 0  | 0  |         |      |      |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1913                                    | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 440     | 10 | 0  |         |      |      |
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Balance being excess Expenditure over Income ... 187 13 11

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|          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | £ s. d. |   |   |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|---|---|
| By Fines | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 31      | 6 | 6 |

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# REVENUE ACCOUNT.

|                           |     |     |     | Assets. |     |     | £ s. d. |    |   | £ s. d. |     |      |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|---------|----|---|---------|-----|------|
| By Cash in Hand—Treasurer | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 189     | 10 | 7 |         |     |      |
| Librarian                 | ... | ... | ... | ...     | ... | ... | 2       | 0  | 0 |         |     |      |
|                           |     |     |     |         |     |     | <hr/>   |    |   |         | 191 | 10 7 |

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City Accountant.

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The Public Library Committee has pleasure in presenting the following Report on the work accomplished during the financial year ended 31st March, 1914.

#### COMMITTEE.

By the death of Mr. Bosworth W. Harcourt on the 19th March, the Committee lost the valued services of an esteemed co-opted member who took an active interest in the Library for over 27 years. Mr. Harcourt was a great lover of the drama, an ardent Shakespearian student, and had histrionic ability. In the winter of 1890-91, when the Committee organized a series of popular lectures at the Blackfriars' Hall, Mr. Harcourt lectured on "Douglas Jerrold," and in the winter of 1893-4 he was the leader of a reading circle at the Library for the study of Shakespeare, in connection with the National Home Reading Union. Mr. Harcourt bequeathed his collection of books and pamphlets to the Library.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

With the view of retaining the copyright of the manuscripts in the Library, the following rule was made:—

"Copies may be made of the whole or any part of any manuscript, but no person shall publish the same without the permission of the Committee."

#### EXHIBITION AND LECTURE ROOM.

The large oval room on the second floor, at one time used as an art room, has been repaired and decorated, and electric light and heating apparatus have been installed, in order that the work of the Library may be developed. The room being top-lighted is now admirably adapted for exhibitions of local prints and photographs, lectures, and similar purposes. It was let to the Norwich and District Photographic Society for its annual exhibition from 22nd to 30th October. The exhibition was opened by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of Norwich (Mr. A. M. Samuel), who was supported by Mr. A. E. Coe, the President of the Society, and Councillor Copeman, the Chairman of the Public Library Committee.

During the exhibition the following lantern lectures were given, all of which were well attended:—"A Journey over the Trans-Siberian Railway," by Mr. W. P. Starmer; "George Borrow," by Mr. Edward Peake; "Loiterings in Lakeland," by Mr. W. Buston; and "A Month on an Iceland Trawler," by Mr. F. E. Smith. The room was also used for the first exhibition illustrative of the Norfolk Photographic Survey, to which reference is made on page 8.

#### STOCK.

During the year 1,933 volumes and 94 pamphlets were added by purchase or gift, 1,332 volumes being located in the Lending Library, 369 volumes and 6 pamphlets in the Reference Library, and 232 volumes and 88 pamphlets in the Local Collection.

#### LENDING LIBRARY.

The systematic reorganization of the Lending Library, section by section, which was commenced by the City Librarian immediately after his appointment in June, 1911, has been continued expeditiously, and about three-quarters of the stock have now been thoroughly overhauled, augmented by standard books, classified and catalogued. During the present year the Committee received and adopted the following stock-taking reports on the Biography, and the Magazine and Bibliography sections.

#### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF BOOKS IN THE BIOGRAPHY SECTION.

|                                                                                  | Vols.             |                                                                         | Vols.             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Number of books in the Biography Section, according to Indicators marked Class B | 2,025             | Number of books on shelves in the Biography Section, marked Class B ... | 1,977             |
| Number of books stocked according to other indicators ...                        | 108               | Number of books on shelves, marked other than Class B...                | 107               |
|                                                                                  |                   | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911 ...           | 3                 |
|                                                                                  |                   | Number of books missing ... ..                                          | 46                |
|                                                                                  | <hr/> 2,133 <hr/> |                                                                         | <hr/> 2,133 <hr/> |

Of the 2,084 volumes on the Library shelves, I find that 1,918 volumes are suitable for circulation, 90 volumes should be transferred to the Reference Library, and 76 volumes should be discarded.



LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON STOCK OF BOOKS IN THE MAGAZINE AND  
BIBLIOGRAPHY SECTION.

|                                                                                                      | Vols.              |                                                                                         | Vols.              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Number of books in the Magazine and Bibliography Section, according to Indicators marked Class M ... | 3,936              | Number of books on shelves in the Magazine and Bibliography Section, marked Class M ... | 3,652              |
| Number of books stocked according to other Indicators ...                                            | 18                 | Number of books on shelves, marked other than Class M ...                               | 18                 |
|                                                                                                      |                    | Number of books entered in Arrears Book from 1902 to 1911... ..                         | 8                  |
|                                                                                                      |                    | Number of books discarded by previous Librarians ... ..                                 | 205                |
|                                                                                                      |                    | Number of books missing ... ..                                                          | 71                 |
|                                                                                                      | <hr/> <u>3,954</u> |                                                                                         | <hr/> <u>3,954</u> |

The above figures include 84 volumes of miscellaneous books; of this number 14 should be stocked, 4 transferred to the Reference Library, and 66 discarded.

The City Librarian reported that a large number of the bound volumes of magazines which had accumulated during half a century were in a very bad condition, that many volumes were imperfect, and that the volumes were occupying a large amount of shelving which was urgently required for stocking the new books now being purchased. The Committee therefore decided to discard 2,890 volumes, to discontinue the practice of binding volumes of magazines for the Lending Library, to transfer the remaining 696 volumes to the Reference Library, and in future to bind some of them which are still being published.

For the above-mentioned sections the Committee decided to spend £50 on important biographical works, and £3 10s. on bibliographical works.

The Author Catalogue in the card cabinet, provided for public use, has been kept up to date by mounting on a separate card each printed catalogue entry in the "Readers' Guide" published during the year, and arranging the cards in their proper sequence in the cabinet.

### " READERS' GUIDE."

The " Readers' Guide " was published regularly on the first day of alternate months throughout the year, each number containing a portion of a classified catalogue of books in one of the classes which have been revised, and a classified and annotated list of new books added to the Library. The classified catalogue of the Language and Literature Sections occupied four numbers, and two parts of the catalogue of the Biography Section were published in the last two numbers. As the George Borrow celebration took place in Norwich on the 5th July, a section of the July number was devoted to George Borrow ; this comprised an extensive annotated list of the published writings by and about George Borrow in the Lending and Reference Departments of the Library, an appreciative article on the " Charms of George Borrow " by Mr. Edward Peake, and a biographical sketch by the City Librarian. This publication received favourable notice in the press, and requests for copies were received from many parts of the country.

The second edition of the Fiction Catalogue, which originally appeared in the " Readers' Guide," became out of print in July, and a third edition was published in September; the latter was exhausted in February, and a fourth edition was published early in March. The total number of copies of the various catalogues which have been sold during the year is 3,337, as compared with 3,178 sold last year.

### BORROWERS.

During the year 2,435 tickets have been issued to new borrowers, viz., 1,318 ordinary tickets, 717 juvenile tickets, and 400 students' tickets, and 679 tickets have been cancelled, viz., 356 ordinary tickets, 277 juvenile tickets, and 46 students' tickets. There are now 7,440 tickets actually in force, viz., 4,935 ordinary tickets, 1,493 juvenile tickets, and 1,012 students' tickets.

### ISSUES.

A statistical table is given on page 12 showing the monthly issues of books from each class during the year for home reading. The Lending Library was open on 308 days (reckoning the half-day on Thursday as a whole day), and 97,760 volumes were issued, giving an average daily issue of 317 volumes. The highest issue on a single day was 682 volumes issued on Saturday, 12th April. The total number of volumes issued exceeds the previous year's total by 3,341, and the daily average issue is 7 more than last year. For comparative purposes the statistical table also gives the total issues from the various classes for the previous year, which clearly shows that borrowers quickly take advantage of the books in the

classes which have been revised and catalogued. The total issue from the Natural Science, Useful and Fine Arts Sections has increased from 6,194 to 9,290 volumes, and the total issue from the Literature Section has increased from 3,975 to 5,164 volumes. The reduction of the issue from the Biography Section is due to the temporary withdrawal of the books for the purpose of cataloguing. The figures also show that the decrease of the fiction percentage recorded last year has been further reduced by 2·3 per cent., the percentage now being 73·9 of the Lending Library issues.

#### JUVENILE SECTION.

The Juvenile Section which was established in November, 1911, contains 673 volumes of fiction, and 561 books on various branches of knowledge. The section continues to be greatly appreciated, the total annual issue being 22,184 as against 21,120 volumes last year.

#### REFERENCE LIBRARY.

The monthly issues of books in the Reference Library are shown in the statistical table on page 13. These figures exclude the numerous references to dictionaries, and to the directories, year books, and kindred publications which are placed on the open shelves in the Reading Room. The Reference Library was open on 308 days, and 11,103 volumes were issued, giving a daily average of 36 volumes. Last year the total number of volumes issued was 11,060.

#### LOCAL COLLECTION.

The local collection has been increased by the purchase or donation of 232 volumes, 88 pamphlets, and 9 prints, exclusive of prints obtained for the Photographic Survey. The additions include a rare volume of "Crossgrove's News or the Norwich Gazette" for the years 1728-1732, the "Norwich Gazette," 1761-1764, and a long file of its successor, the "Norfolk Chronicle," 1772-1830, 1834-1857, and 1860-1912. The Library now contains the best file of the "Norfolk Chronicle" in existence. Other notable additions of which mention may be made are the two volumes of extracts from Norfolk Parish Registers made by Mr. George Edward Cokayne, Clarenceux king-of-arms, and presented by his son, Mr. Brien Cokayne; a Medici colour print of Elizabeth Fry, presented by Sir Eustace Gurney; a framed portrait of Sir William ffolkes, presented by the committee of his portrait fund; a framed portrait of the late Right Hon. James Stuart, presented by Mrs. Stuart; and an oil painting of Edward Jerningham, by Samuel Drummond, presented by Sir Henry Stafford Jerningham.

In response to requests for information regarding specific aspects of Norwich, the City Librarian prepared an annotated and

classified catalogue of the principal books, pamphlets, articles, and maps in the Local Collection which deal with the most important phases of Norwich. In March the Committee ordered the catalogue to be printed and published at one penny a copy, in the hope that it would stimulate interest in the study of Norwich.

#### NORFOLK AND NORWICH PHOTOGRAPHIC SURVEY.

The success of the Norfolk and Norwich Photographic Survey, which was inaugurated by the Committee in January, 1913, has exceeded the most sanguine expectations of all persons connected with it.

The Advisory Committee, consisting of representatives of the Public Library Committee and all the local learned and scientific societies, prepared an extensive and comprehensive list of important places and objects of which photographs are desired, for the guidance of members of the Norwich and District Photographic Society and other persons who are voluntarily assisting in the practical work of the Survey. The acquisition of photographs depends entirely upon donations, but the Public Library Committee defrays the cost of mounting, cataloguing, and preserving the photographs.

The collection of the photographs commenced in May, and the total number received at the date of this report was 1,521, of which 945 were presented by the donors enumerated on page 16-18. The technique of the photographs is of a very high standard, the majority of them are platinotypes, and a large number are of whole-plate size. The subjects of the photographs illustrate the following phases of the survey: Architecture, Antiquities and Anthropology, Art, Industries, Literature, Biography, Natural Science, Topography, and Passing Events. Some of the photographs in the collection have been made from wax negatives or prints dating from the fifties and sixties, and form valuable records of places which have since disappeared or have been greatly altered. The sum of £25 9s. 6d. was contributed by the persons and societies listed on page 16.

The first exhibition of local record photographs illustrative of the work of the survey was arranged by the City Librarian, and was held during the first two weeks of December, the exhibition being open free to the public from 2 to 5 p.m. during the first week, and from 7 to 10 p.m. during the second week. The photographs were exhibited in frames having removable backs, and they were grouped in panels, as shown in the frontispiece, each panel illustrating a section of the survey. Each photograph had a label giving a description of the place or object photographed, the name of the photographer, and the name of the donor, and in order to increase the educational value of the photographs some of the labels gave references to books in the Local Collection dealing with



the subjects of the photographs. In previous years the record photographs of members of the Norwich and District Photographic Society, in competition for the silver cup awarded by Sir Eustace Gurney for the best set of local record photographs, formed a small section of the annual exhibition of the Norwich and District Photographic Society; but this year it formed part of the exhibition of local record photographs, and as a consequence the number of record photographs sent in was the highest ever received. The opening ceremony was performed by Mr. Russell J. Colman, D.L., J.P., the President of the Survey, under the presidency of the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of Norwich (Mr. James A. Porter), who was accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and the Sheriff (Mr. C. T. Coller).

In the course of a felicitous speech, Mr. Colman described the work of the survey during the year, and appealed for subscriptions, amounting to £20 or £30 annually, for carrying on an adequate survey.

The total attendance at the exhibition was 1,781; of this number 1,185 were adults and 596 were senior scholars from the Norwich schools, who came in batches under the supervision of teachers.

Any person desiring to assist in the work of the survey can obtain from the City Librarian a leaflet giving particulars of the scheme, and a list of places and objects of which photographs are required.

#### READING AND NEWS ROOMS.

The list of newspapers and periodicals displayed in the News and Reading Rooms was revised in March, a complete list of those now provided being printed on pages 19-21. The estimated daily attendances in these rooms on week-days, based on actual counts, was 1,298, giving a total attendance of 399,820. Because of the small attendances on Sundays during the summer months, the Reading Room was closed on Sundays during June, July, August and September; the average attendance on Sundays during the months it was open was 117, the total attendance being 4,083 on 35 Sundays.

#### BOOKBINDING.

During the year 1,420 volumes have been re-bound in strong library bindings at a cost of £98 9s. 2d., and 3,091 volumes have been lettered with the classification marks at a cost of £7 19s. 6d.

#### BOOKS FOR THE BLIND.

The subscription was continued to the National Lending Library for the Blind for the loan of 20 volumes monthly in Braille or Moon type. The total number of volumes borrowed by blind persons during the year was 219 as against 196 last year.

## DONATIONS.

Various donors presented 386 volumes, 51 pamphlets, and 9 prints during the year, as enumerated on pages 14-16, and private donors undertook to present three periodicals to the Library regularly as issued. The thanks of the Committee have been expressed to the donors.

## OLD PERIODICALS AND BOOKS.

The sale of old periodicals realised £4 9s. 10½d. Some of the old newspapers and periodicals and the best of the discarded books have been sent to various institutions in the City for the use of the inmates.

## DISTRESS OFFICES.

In accordance with the Council's instruction made on the repeated requests of this Committee, the Distress Committee vacated in June the upper rooms of the Library which it had used as Distress Offices, and the rooms are now used for Library purposes. It was reported that the Distress Committee had not contributed any sum towards the rates paid in respect of the Library buildings, in accordance with the conditions under which the rooms were let to it. After receiving a statement from the City Accountant showing the amount expended by the Distress Committee on the rooms no further action was taken.

## NATIONAL HOME READING UNION.

The Secretary of the National Home Reading Union suggested that the Committee should grant the use of a room for the purpose of reading circles next autumn, and the Committee being of the opinion that the alliance between the Union and the Public Library would be to the mutual advantage of each, decided to accede to the Secretary's request.

The aims of the Union are—(1) To guide readers of all ages in the choice of books; (2) To direct and assist self-education; (3) To group readers in circles for mutual help and interest, and to unite them as members in a great reading guild. Circle membership fees for the four sections, including the Book List and Magazine corresponding to the respective section, are as follow: Special Courses, 3/6; General Course, 2/-; Young People's Course, 1/-; Introductory Course, 9d.

The Committee believes that the formation of reading circles at the Library would encourage borrowers to read systematically, and would afford young people an excellent opportunity of extending their school education. A convenient room can be allocated for the purpose, and, as the Library is equipped with standard books on innumerable subjects, it is hoped that sufficient people will express to the City Librarian their willingness to join circles, in order that arrangements may be made for their formation.



## STAFF.

The Librarian attended the Annual Conference of the Library Association which was held at Bournemouth during the first week in September, and he presented to the Committee a report thereon.

There have been several changes in the personnel of the staff during the year. The typist, Miss L. M. Shorten, and two assistants, Messrs. F. Parker and R. Restieaux, having tendered their resignations, an opportunity was afforded of arranging the staff on a better basis, and two appointments were made. The office of typist was abolished, and the office of Sub-Librarian, which had remained in abeyance for several years, was re-established. In October the Committee advertised for a Sub-Librarian, and received 32 applications from assistant librarians. In the final selection only candidates possessing certificates of the Library Association were considered, and Mr. Charles Nowell, Chief Assistant of the Coventry Public Libraries, was appointed. Mr. Nowell has had previous training at the Kendal and Ashton-under-Lyne Public Libraries; he holds the Library Association's certificates for Cataloguing (with merit), Classification, Library History and Equipment (with merit), and Library Routine, and the National Union of Teachers' Second Class Certificate for French. Mr. Cecil Dye was appointed a Junior Assistant in January; he was educated at the City of Norwich School, and he passed the Senior Cambridge Local Examination. With the view of increasing the efficiency of the staff, the Committee has made the appointments of Junior Assistants conditional on their obtaining the professional certificates of the Library Association. Mr. Frank Bussey, a Junior Assistant, sat in May for the examination in Library Routine, and passed—a creditable achievement after fifteen months' training.

## CONCLUSION.

Apart from the satisfactory work of the Library indicated by the statistics, good progress has been made in the improvement of the administrative work of the Library, which, when completed, will enable the Library worthily to serve the needs of the citizens of Norwich, so far as they can be served by books and illustrations.

HENRY J. COPEMAN,

*Chairman.*

# LENDING LIBRARY.

## Classification of the Issues of Books, 1913-14.

| Months.         | Days open. | Natural Science. | Useful Arts. | Fine Arts. | History and Travel. | Biography | Literature, Magazines, &c. | Sociology, Philo- sophy, and Religion. | Fiction. | Juvenile |                 | Total Issues. | Average Daily Issues. |
|-----------------|------------|------------------|--------------|------------|---------------------|-----------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------|
|                 |            |                  |              |            |                     |           |                            |                                        |          | Fiction. | Mis- cellaneous |               |                       |
| April ...       | 26         | 189              | 344          | 424        | 555                 | 112       | 208                        | 42                                     | 4734     | 1376     | 590             | 8574          | 330                   |
| May ..          | 26         | 212              | 282          | 311        | 506                 | 101       | 346                        | 31                                     | 4501     | 1359     | 565             | 8214          | 316                   |
| June ...        | 25         | 173              | 223          | 295        | 386                 | 84        | 280                        | 32                                     | 3865     | 1370     | 430             | 7138          | 286                   |
| July ...        | 27         | 158              | 243          | 308        | 339                 | 58        | 471                        | 37                                     | 4216     | 1458     | 442             | 7730          | 286                   |
| August ...      | 25         | 126              | 271          | 255        | 323                 | 76        | 385                        | 40                                     | 4219     | 1273     | 293             | 7261          | 290                   |
| September ...   | 26         | 165              | 281          | 323        | 341                 | 65        | 459                        | 44                                     | 4570     | 1321     | 300             | 7869          | 303                   |
| October ...     | 27         | 170              | 283          | 307        | 379                 | 56        | 459                        | 35                                     | 4845     | 1443     | 343             | 8320          | 308                   |
| November ...    | 25         | 179              | 282          | 250        | 401                 | 49        | 510                        | 43                                     | 5024     | 1481     | 394             | 8613          | 345                   |
| December ...    | 24         | 144              | 192          | 336        | 355                 | 40        | 479                        | 50                                     | 4285     | 1361     | 291             | 7533          | 314                   |
| January ...     | 27         | 129              | 227          | 432        | 388                 | 57        | 498                        | 27                                     | 4904     | 1539     | 366             | 8567          | 317                   |
| February ...    | 24         | 163              | 279          | 433        | 447                 | 61        | 512                        | 25                                     | 4704     | 1530     | 450             | 8604          | 359                   |
| March ...       | 26         | 156              | 316          | 429        | 421                 | 109       | 557                        | 54                                     | 5086     | 1786     | 423             | 9337          | 359                   |
| 308             |            | 1,964            | 3,223        | 4,103      | 4,841               | 868       | 5,164                      | 460                                    | 54,953   | 17,297   | 4,887           | 97,760        | 317                   |
| Totals: 1912-13 |            | 304              | 6,194        |            | 5,457               | 1,180     | 3,975                      | 690                                    | 55,803   | 16,149   | 4,971           | 94,419        | 310                   |

# REFERENCE LIBRARY.

Classification of the Issues of Books, 1913-14.

| Months.          | Days open. | Local Collection. | Natural Science, Fine and Useful Arts. | Biography and Correspondence. | Poetry and Drama. | Fiction. | History and Travel. | Magazines, Reviews, and Miscellaneous. | Sociology and Religion. | Total. | Average Daily Issues. |
|------------------|------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| 1913             |            |                   |                                        |                               |                   |          |                     |                                        |                         |        |                       |
| April ...        | 26         | 242               | 164                                    | 33                            | 15                | —        | 56                  | 343                                    | 32                      | 885    | 34                    |
| May ...          | 26         | 233               | 143                                    | 33                            | 16                | —        | 48                  | 315                                    | 61                      | 849    | 33                    |
| June ...         | 25         | 223               | 124                                    | 47                            | 23                | 1        | 45                  | 271                                    | 22                      | 756    | 30                    |
| July ...         | 27         | 160               | 133                                    | 20                            | 14                | 1        | 30                  | 231                                    | 24                      | 633    | 23                    |
| August ...       | 25         | 289               | 165                                    | 29                            | 6                 | 3        | 100                 | 218                                    | 39                      | 849    | 34                    |
| September        | 26         | 195               | 235                                    | 40                            | 9                 | —        | 127                 | 365                                    | 22                      | 993    | 38                    |
| October          | 27         | 159               | 351                                    | 31                            | 19                | —        | 74                  | 346                                    | 30                      | 1010   | 38                    |
| November         | 25         | 164               | 462                                    | 29                            | 12                | 2        | 39                  | 339                                    | 25                      | 1072   | 43                    |
| December         | 24         | 135               | 548                                    | 25                            | 3                 | 7        | 33                  | 229                                    | 19                      | 999    | 42                    |
| 1914             |            |                   |                                        |                               |                   |          |                     |                                        |                         |        |                       |
| January          | 27         | 253               | 365                                    | 26                            | 17                | 16       | 52                  | 265                                    | 27                      | 1021   | 38                    |
| February         | 24         | 115               | 282                                    | 34                            | 27                | 16       | 88                  | 344                                    | 42                      | 948    | 40                    |
| March ...        | 26         | 236               | 305                                    | 50                            | 19                | 19       | 72                  | 357                                    | 30                      | 1088   | 42                    |
| Totals : 1912-13 | 303        | 2,404             | 3,297                                  | 397                           | 180               | 65       | 764                 | 3,623                                  | 373                     | 11,103 | 36                    |
|                  | 304        | 2,908             | 1,968                                  | 439                           | 419               | 5        | 930                 | 3,990                                  | 401                     | 11,060 | 36                    |

## DONORS TO THE LIBRARY.

|                                                           | Vols. | Pamphlets. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Allen, Mrs. James, Ilfracombe ...                         | 1     |            |
| Anglo-Continental Publishing Co., Ltd.,<br>London ...     | 1     |            |
| Australia, High Commissioner for ...                      | 2     |            |
| Batterbee, Walter, Norwich ...                            | 1     |            |
| Beloe, E. M., F.S.A., King's Lynn ...                     |       | 2          |
| Birmingham Public Libraries ...                           | 2     |            |
| Board of Trade ...                                        | 1     |            |
| Breese, T. S., Norwich ...                                |       | 1          |
| British Association for the Advancement of<br>Science ... | 1     |            |
| British Museum, Trustees of ...                           | 14    | 3          |
| Buxton, G. F., v.d., D.L., Dunston ...                    | 2     |            |
| Canada, High Commissioner for ...                         | 2     |            |
| Central Association of Accountants ...                    | 1     |            |
| Churchill, J. & A., London ...                            | 1     |            |
| Clarke, W. G., Norwich ...                                | 11    | 5          |
| Cockayne, Brien, London ...                               | 2     |            |
| Co-operative Union, Ltd. ...                              | 1     |            |
| Co-operative Wholesale Society, Ltd. ...                  | 1     |            |
| Crane, Crane & Co., London ...                            | 1     |            |
| Croydon Public Libraries ...                              | 1     |            |
| Cubitt, Councillor George, Norwich ...                    | 1     |            |
| Curwen & Son, Ltd. ...                                    | 1     |            |
| Durham University... ...                                  | 1     |            |
| Euren, A. D., Norwich ...                                 | 3     | 1          |
| Euren, H. F., Norwich ...                                 | 13    |            |
| Fabian Society ...                                        | 1     |            |
| Fanning, W. J., Norwich ...                               | 17    |            |
| Fletcher & Sons, Norwich ...                              | 2     |            |
| Fryer, Alfred C., Bristol ...                             | 2     |            |
| Gould, W. & Son, Swaffham ...                             | 1     |            |
| Greeno, F. L., Rochester, U.S.A. ...                      | 1     |            |
| Gurney, J. H., F.Z.S., F.L.S., J.P., Keswick ...          | 24    |            |
| Harrods Ltd., London ...                                  | 1     |            |
| Hart, J. H. A., Cambridge ...                             | 1     |            |
| Henderson, Councillor J. Fred., Norwich ...               | 1     | 1          |
| Hooper, James, Norwich ...                                | 4     | 4          |
| Horne, J. W., Norwich ...                                 | 1     |            |
| Howard, G. F., Norwich ...                                | 1     |            |
| Hughff, W., Norwich ...                                   |       | 1          |
| Hull Corporation ...                                      | 1     |            |
| Hunt, William, Norwich ...                                | 1     |            |
| Hurry, J. B., Reading ...                                 | 1     |            |

|                                                                      | Vols. | Pamphlets. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Incorporated Accountants and Auditors,<br>Society of ... ..          | 1     |            |
| India Office ... ..                                                  | 75    |            |
| Jarrold & Sons, Ltd., Norwich ... ..                                 | 2     | 2          |
| Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co. ... ..                             | 3     |            |
| Kett, George, Cambridge ... ..                                       | 1     |            |
| Leamington Spa Council ... ..                                        | 1     |            |
| Library of Congress, Washington, U.S.A. ... ..                       | 10    |            |
| Liverpool University ... ..                                          | 1     |            |
| London, Town Clerk of City of ... ..                                 | 1     |            |
| London & Norwich Press, Ltd., Norwich ... ..                         | 63    | 1          |
| Low, Sir Frederick, K.C., M.P., London ... ..                        | 26    |            |
| Macdonald & Co., Edinburgh ... ..                                    | 2     |            |
| Macmillan & Co., Ltd., London ... ..                                 | 3     |            |
| Mann, A. H., MUS. DOC., Cambridge ... ..                             |       | 1          |
| Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd.,<br>London ... ..             | 1     |            |
| Mather & Crowther, London ... ..                                     | 1     |            |
| Medical Council, London ... ..                                       | 1     |            |
| Mill, H. R., London ... ..                                           |       | 1          |
| Monck, Nugent, Norwich ... ..                                        |       | 1          |
| Moody, T. & Co., London ... ..                                       | 1     |            |
| Mylne, R. S., London ... ..                                          | 3     |            |
| National Conference on the Prevention of<br>Destitution ... ..       | 2     |            |
| National Society for the Prevention of<br>Cruelty to Children ... .. | 1     |            |
| National Union of Teachers ... ..                                    | 1     |            |
| New Zealand, High Commissioner for ... ..                            | 1     |            |
| Norfolk and Norwich Horticultural Society ... ..                     |       | 2          |
| Norwich Board of Guardians ... ..                                    | 10    | 2          |
| Norwich Consolidated Charities ... ..                                |       | 1          |
| Norwich Co-operative Society, Ltd. ... ..                            | 1     |            |
| Oakenfull, J. C., London ... ..                                      | 1     |            |
| Oxbury, F. T., Norwich ... ..                                        | 1     |            |
| Oxford: Christ Church College Library ... ..                         |       | 1          |
| Page, G. A., London ... ..                                           | 1     |            |
| Palmer, J., London ... ..                                            | 1     |            |
| Paton, J. & J., London ... ..                                        | 2     |            |
| Pike, W. T. & Co., Brighton ... ..                                   | 1     |            |
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| Winfrey, Richard, M.P., J.P., Hunstanton      | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1            |
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# REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

## Expenditure.

|                                                       |     |         | £   | s. | d. | £     | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----|---------|-----|----|----|-------|----|----|
| To Salaries                                           | ... | ...     |     |    |    | 720   | 19 | 7  |
| Loan—Interest                                         | ... | ...     | 40  | 7  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Sinking Fund                                          | ... | ...     | 52  | 13 | 0  |       |    |    |
|                                                       |     |         |     |    |    | 93    | 0  | 0  |
| Insurance                                             | ... | ...     | 18  | 3  | 2  |       |    |    |
| Rates                                                 | ... | ...     | 70  | 16 | 8  |       |    |    |
| Books                                                 | ... | ...     | 222 | 13 | 3  |       |    |    |
| Carriage on Books                                     | ... | ...     | 2   | 8  | 4  |       |    |    |
| Bookbinding                                           | ... | ...     | 110 | 1  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Newspapers and Periodicals                            | ... | ...     | 119 | 17 | 6  |       |    |    |
| Printing and Stationery                               | ... | ...     | 57  | 18 | 2  |       |    |    |
| Printing "Readers' Guide"                             | ... | ...     | 48  | 0  | 3  |       |    |    |
| Cleaning Windows                                      | ... | ...     | 11  | 7  | 8  |       |    |    |
| Repairs, Painting, and Cleaning                       | ... | ...     | 35  | 18 | 1  |       |    |    |
| Photographic Survey Room—                             |     |         |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Repairing and Decorating                              | ... | 47 4 10 |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Fixing Electricity Installation                       | ... | 13 13 4 |     |    |    |       |    |    |
| Do. Heating Apparatus                                 | ... | 35 0 0  |     |    |    |       |    |    |
|                                                       |     |         | 95  | 18 | 2  |       |    |    |
| Electric Light                                        | ... | ...     | 77  | 15 | 8  |       |    |    |
| Repairs to Electric Fittings                          | ... | ...     | 2   | 2  | 1  |       |    |    |
| Gas and Water                                         | ... | ...     | 4   | 17 | 1  |       |    |    |
| Steam for Heating                                     | ... | ...     | 39  | 12 | 0  |       |    |    |
| Winding and Regulating Clocks                         | ... | ...     | 1   | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
| Telephone Rental                                      | ... | ...     | 7   | 5  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Bookshelves and Fittings                              | ... | ...     | 14  | 11 | 4  |       |    |    |
| City Librarian attending Conference at Bournemouth    | ... | ...     | 5   | 1  | 0  |       |    |    |
| Expenses of Candidates for post of Sub-Librarian      | ... | ...     | 12  | 0  | 5  |       |    |    |
| Employers' Contributions—National Insurance Act, 1911 | ... | ...     | 5   | 5  | 6  |       |    |    |
| Miscellaneous                                         | ... | ...     | 18  | 4  | 2  |       |    |    |
|                                                       |     |         |     |    |    | 981   | 8  | 4  |
|                                                       |     |         |     |    |    | £1795 | 7  | 11 |

## Fines Account for the Year

|                                                          |     |     | £   | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| To Books, Manuscripts, Prints, &c., for Local Collection | ... | ... | 22  | 17 | 6  |
| Bookbinding                                              | ... | ... | 6   | 11 | 0  |
| Boxes and Mounts for Prints                              | ... | ... | 2   | 6  | 5  |
| Purchase of "Norfolk Chronicle" file—First instalment    | ... | ... | 12  | 10 | 0  |
|                                                          |     |     | £44 | 4  | 11 |

## Photographic Survey Account for the Year

|                                              |     |     | £   | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| To Prints for Photographic Survey            | ... | ... | 15  | 18 | 7  |
| Balance being excess Income over Expenditure | ... | ... | 9   | 10 | 11 |
|                                              |     |     | £25 | 9  | 6  |



ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1914.

# Income.

|                                                                                                 | £   | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|------|----|----|
| By Sale of "Readers' Guide," &c. ...                                                            | 13  | 18 | 9  |      |    |    |
| Borrowers' Tickets ...                                                                          |     | 5  | 3  |      |    |    |
| Papers ...                                                                                      | 4   | 9  | 11 |      |    |    |
| Post Cards, &c. ...                                                                             | 2   | 17 | 11 |      |    |    |
| Special Fees for use of Library ...                                                             | 1   | 15 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Hire of Room ...                                                                                | 2   | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Miscellaneous ...                                                                               | 15  | 8  |    |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                 |     |    |    | 26   | 2  | 6  |
| Rate for the period from 1st April to 30th June, 1913 ...                                       | 440 | 10 | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate equal to $\frac{1}{3}$ d. in the £ for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 1913 ... | 885 | 0  | 0  |      |    |    |
| Rate for the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1914 ...                                    | 443 | 15 | 0  |      |    |    |
|                                                                                                 |     |    |    | 1769 | 5  | 0  |

Balance being excess Expenditure over Income 5

£1795 7 11

ended 31st March, 1914.

|                                              | £  | s. | d. |
|----------------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| By Fines ...                                 | 27 | 9  | 6  |
| Balance being excess Expenditure over Income | 16 | 15 | 5  |

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ended 31st March, 1914.

|                  | £  | s. | d. |
|------------------|----|----|----|
| By Donations ... | 25 | 9  | 6  |

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## BALANCE SHEET—

## Liabilities.

|                                                     | £  | s. | d. | £    | s. | d. |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|------|----|----|
| Sundry Creditors ... ..                             |    |    |    | 59   | 7  | 6  |
| Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1913 ...               | 63 | 14 | 8  |      |    |    |
| Less deficiency for the current year ...            |    |    | 5  |      |    |    |
|                                                     |    |    |    | 63   | 14 | 3  |
| Fines Account Revenue Balance, 31st March, 1913 ... | 54 | 12 | 1  |      |    |    |
| Less deficiency for the current year ...            | 16 | 15 | 5  |      |    |    |
|                                                     |    |    |    | 37   | 16 | 8  |
| Photographic Survey Account—                        |    |    |    |      |    |    |
| Revenue Balance for the current year ...            |    |    |    | 9    | 10 | 11 |
|                                                     |    |    |    |      |    |    |
|                                                     |    |    |    | £170 | 9  | 4  |

# REVENUE ACCOUNT.

## Assets.

|                        |     |     | £   | s. | d. | £   | s. | d. |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| Cash in Hand—Treasurer | ... | ... | 168 | 9  | 4  |     |    |    |
| Librarian              | ... | ... | 2   | 0  | 0  |     |    |    |
|                        |     |     |     |    |    | 170 | 9  | 4  |

£170 9 4

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City Accountant.

























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